Gerard Cote Wins Boston Marathon

Becomes 6th Repeater In History Of Famed Race

By BILL KING
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BOSTON, April 18 —(AP)—Little Gerard Cote, a Canadian infantry sergeant stationed at Valleyfield, Que., became the sixth repeater in the 47-year history of the famed Boston A.A. Marathon today when he finished a minute, 38 1-5 seconds ahead of Pte. Johnny Kelley of the United States Army. They had raced side by side over all but the last five miles of the hilly 26 mile-385 yard stretch from Hopkinton to the back bay section of this city.

Cote, native of St. Hyacinthe, Que., who gained his first B.A.A. victory in 1937 and finished eighth or better in all the other races back to 1937, was timed in 2:28:25 4-5, only a minute and 34 3-5 seconds slower than the world's fastest Marathon time turned in by last year's winner, Joe Smith of Medford, now serving in the United States coast guard.

Most of the other favorites in the small starting field of 89 which included four other former winners, were among the earliest to reach the finish line. Fred McGlone of Boston, the current National Marathon titlist, was a close third in 2:30:41, Lloyd Bairstow of Boston, now in the United States Navy, was fourth in 2:33:47 and Leslie Pawson of Pawtucket, R.I., thrice a B.A.A. victor, was fifth in 2:35:58.

Baltimore's husky Don Heinicke, who finished fourth, third and second in the last three Boston "grinds", wound up in sixth place and the others in the first 10, in order, were Bill Wiklund of Clifton, N.J., Tony Medeiros and Lou Young, both of Medford, and Mike O'Hara of New York and the United States Navy.

The 55-year-old Clarence Demar of Boston, the winner of seven of the 25 starts he has made in this endurance race, was 17th in 2:57.58 and Ellison (Tarzan) Brown, the Westerly, R.I., Indian who led the back home in 1936 and 1939, was the 21st to cross the finish line.

All of them, including Cote, who was handicapped by a week-old ankle injury, ran in about their finishing order all the way.

In 15th place was Fred M. C. Bruhm of the Canadian Army, in the time of 2:52.23, and Walter Nichols, also of the Canadian Army placed 31st with a time of 3:14.31. Both are from Halifax.

Adrien Prencevost of Quebec City was 16th. His time was 2:53.50.

GUARDIAN SPORTING NEWS

"Enemy" Horses Make Bid For Big Classics

By ALLAN NICKLESON
(Canadian Press Staff Writer)

NEWMARKET, England, April 18 —(CP)—Race horses owned by a technical enemy of Britain could well gallop away with a couple of English race classics this season and the possibility has caused a bit of eye-brow lifting.

It's all quite a problem that came out when it revealed that three racers owned by M.M. Boussac, a Frenchman in German-occupied territory, are entered in five classics—The Derby, Oaks, 2,000 Guineas, 1,000 Guineas and the St. Leger.

The three—Anubis II, Aetius and Cynthia II—plus a couple of others owned by Boussac are under the control of the Custodian of Enemy Property. They are trained by Steve Donahue, one of Britain's former jockey greats who is Boussac's agent in this country. "The custodian has power to sell any of the horses and several have been sold," Steve said. "He has control of all monies received until the end of the war."

Steve gets pain by the custodian for keeping and training the horses of Boussac, who in pre-war days raced on a large scale in England and France. Boussac won the 2,000 Guineas at Newmarket with Djebel in 1940.

All profits from the horses go to the custodian for settlement when the war ends. But no one has answered this question: Will the profits (if any) find their way to Boussac after the war?

King's Horses

There's quite a bit of turf gossip to be picked up around Newmarket these nippy mornings as trainers run hopefuls through gallops.

For instance, the King's Tipstaff has been running well and the general belief is that the colt is being groomed especially for the 2,000 Guineas. Best odds for Tipstaff in the Guineas are 10-1, while he is 33-1 for the Derby.

Gordon Richards, the King's No. 1 jockey, will be up on Tipstaff in the 2,000 Guineas but probably will ride for the Aga Khan in the Derby. Gordon, Britain's champion jockey rode Derby favorite Nasrullah in a mile gallop at three-parts speed, along with Umiddad, and reported himself as "well-pleased" with Nasrullah's performance. Both horses are owned by the Aga Khan, presently residing in Switzerland.

His Majesty's racers will show their form when Newmarket opens a two-day meet this month (April). Knight's Daughter and Point To Point are entered in the Fillies Stakes for two-year-olds; Crimson Lake in the Caxton Stakes for two-year-olds, and three-year-old Open Warfare in the five-furlong Severals Stakes.

Winnipeg Wins Opening Game For Memorial Cup; Defeat Oshawa By 6-5

By FRASER MacDOUGALL
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TORONTO, April 18 —(CP)—The fleet Winnipeg Rangers from the west sped to a surprising 6-5 triumph over Oshawa's heavily-favored Generals Saturday night in the opening game of the best-of-seven series for the Memorial Cup and the junior hockey championship of the Dominion.

The fast skating Winnipeg squad back-checked the powerful eastern Canadian champions dizzy almost from bell to bell and cut loose with an all-out offensive in the second period of a thrill-paced game to score four goals which clinched the victory.

While the Generals scored two goals in the first period and got two more in the first half of the third, they weren't really rolling in high gear until the closing minutes of the game when they cut loose with a powerful attack which produced one goal and only fell short of equalizing the score because of the spectacular play of Doug (Stonewall) Jackson in the Winnipeg nets.

The two teams, which meet here tomorrow in the second game of the series, maintained a dazzling pace all the way and the 12,739 fans were kept in an uproar by the unending succession of breath-taking plays.

SUMMARY

First Period

1—Oshawa, Scherza (F. Bennett) 7:29
2—Oshawa, Scherza (Batten) 15:27
3—Winnipeg, Boorman (Coleman) 17:28
Penalties — Batten (2), Juzda.

Second Period

4—Winnipeg, Gardner :08
5—Winnipeg, Coleman (Russell, McDonald) 3:51
6—Winnipeg, Coleman 9:08
7—Winnipeg, Russell (Coleman, McDonald) 14:16
Penalties — Johnstone, Gardner.

Third Period

8—Oshawa, Nelson 6:41
9—Winnipeg, Russell (Coleman) 7:57
10—Oshawa, Nelson (Reigle) 10:13
11—Oshawa, Smith (Nelson) 18:11
Penalties — None.

Judy Johnson Becomes Jockey

BALTIMORE, Md., April 18 —(AP)— Judy Johnson, 29, second woman in the United States to hold a licence to train race horses, became the first of her sex in Maryland racing history to be made a bonafide professional rider when the Maryland racing commission Saturday granted her a steeplechase jockey's licence.

She is believed to be the first woman in the United States to be granted a jockey's licence.

Aces Defeat Braves In Exhibition

The Aces defeated the Braves 35-15 in an exhibition softball game played over the week-end. It was played in Victoria Park.

The Aces ran up much of their score in the first three innings. They were the winners last year of the Knights of Columbus trophy in a league sponsored by the Charlottetown Council. It is expected a similar league will operate this year. The Braves, too, played in that league last season. (Patriot please copy.)

VANCOUVER, April 18 —(CP)—Victoria R.C.A.F. defeated Edmonton R.C.A.F. Devils 66-46 here Saturday night and took a two-game lead in their best-of-five series for the Western Canada senior men's basketball championship. Victoria won the first game Friday night 47-40. The third game will be played Monday.

Baseball Season Opens This Week; Fans Seem As Interested In Sport As Eve

By JUDSON BAILEY
Associated Press Sports Writer

NEW YORK, April 18 —(AP)—Baseball opens another war-shrouded season this week with the National and American Leagues both confident that fans are as interested as ever in the sport, that the pennant races will be as entertaining as ever and that the schedules will be carried through to their normal conclusion.

No one is overlooking the difficulties ahead, including the fact that star performers constantly are being called to military service. But the reception the major leagues have received this pring during their transplanted training program has convinced all observers that interest has not been eclipsed by sterner issues.

The curtain will be raised Tuesday at Washington with the Senators playing the Philadelphia Athletics a day ahead of the getaway for other clubs.

On Wednesday all 16 clubs are carded for action.

The world champion Cardinals in the National League and the perennially pace-setting Yankees in the American League have been established as favorites to repeat the pennant conquests they achieved last year although the inroads of the draft on key players may scramble the entire situation.

All teams already have seen many of their important players enter the armed force, but none have been tapped any more heavily than the two rivals of the 1942 World Series.

The Redbirds will be without fielders Terry Moore and Enos Slaughter as well as Johnny Beazley, the rookie pitcher who captured 21 victories during the regular season and two sensational decisions over the Yanks in the World Series.

The Bronx Bombers have been reduced to cap pistols by the departure of Joe DiMaggio, Tommy Henrich, Phil Rizzuto, Buddy Hassett, Red Ruffing and others. Except for batterymen they will open the season with only two holdover regulars, Joe Gordon in the infield and Charley Keller in the outfield.

The Yankees, however, seem a reasonably good choice to repeat while their chief rivals also have suffered major losses.

This writer's own opinion of the finish in the American League is New York, Boston, Cleveland, St. Louis, Detroit, Washington, Chicago, Philadelphia.

The National League is almost certain to have another of its characteristic wide-open pennant battles and my own selection for the eventual winner is Brooklyn.

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Count Fleet Wins Despite Injury To Foot

By SID FEDER
Associated Press Sports Writer

NEW YORK, April 18 —(AP)—In spite of a gashed hind foot, Count Fleet mopped up just about all the Kentucky Derby's eastern delegation Saturday by taking the Wood Memorial at Jamaica.

He came home four lengths in front of seven other Derby eligibles, after suffering the cut in his left hind foot in a scramble at the starting gate.

Although the wound bled considerably, it was not regarded as serious after a preliminary examination. So fought the tall son of Reigh Count, pointed to the $75,000 bank roll waiting at Churchill Downs, May 1.

Mrs. John D. Hertz's entry won $9,150 Saturday and left Allen Stephens' Blue Sword four lengths behind with jockey Johnny Longden of Taber, Alta., easing him up from the eighth pole to the wire.

Although he had no competition, he hit the wire in 1:42 for the 1 1-16th miles, just two fifths of a second off the track record. He ran, in fact, just as a 1-to-4 shot should run, and that's what the crowd of 24,074 made him—$2.50 for $2—as they poured $156,192 into the mutuel machines on him, smashing all records for the "support" ever given one horse in New York. Previously, the high had been $149,000 "invested" on Whirlaway in the Suburban handicap at Belmont last May.

With his victory, the Count boosted his earnings to $98,345.

Page Joe Louis For Army Date

CAMP LEE, Va., April 18—(CP)—Oh, Mr. Conn, that man may be around to visit you again.

Captain Jack Springer, Camp Lee athletic officer, is investigating the possibility of having Sergeant Joe Louis—the heavyweight champion — come to Camp Lee for a personal appearance. If arrangements are made, Louis will meet Corporal Billy Conn here—outside the ring. Conn, the No. 1 contender for the Negro bomber's crown, is boxing instructor here.

Quebec Sea Gulls In Eastern Finals

OTTAWA, April 18—(CP)—Quebec Sea Gulls turned back Petawawa Grenades 7-3 here last night to win the Eastern Canada intermediate hockey semi-final series, earning the right to meet the Ontario Hockey Association intermediate champions, Aurora Army, in the Eastern finals.

Quebec had won the first two games from the Petawawa Army team in Quebec city, 15-3 and 8-4, taking the best-of-five series in straight games.

The first game of the best-of three Eastern finals will be played April 23, the second April 25, and if a third game is necessary it will be played on April 26. All games will be in Quebec.

Exhibition Baseball

By The Associated Press

At Wilmington, Del.
Toronto (Int) 4; Wilmington (Int-State) 4.
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At St. Louis
St. Louis (N) 11, St. Louis (A) 0

At New York
Washington (A) 9, New York (N) 3

At Boston
Boston (N) 3, Boston (A) 5.

At Detroit
Pittsburgh (N) 0, Detroit (A) 1 (10 innings)

At Jersey City
Newark (Int) 0; Jersey City (Int) 1

At Philadelphia
Philadelphia (A) 1, Philadelphia (N) 4.

At Brooklyn
New York (A) 2, Brooklyn (N) 4

At Baltimore
Syracuse (Int) 7, Baltimore (Int) 1

At Chicago
Chicago (A) 1, Chicago (N) 4

At Cincinnati
Cleveland (A) 1, Cincinnati (N) 2

Saturday
Cleveland (A) 2, Cincinnati (N) 3

At St. Louis
St. Louis (A) 9, St Louis (N) 4

At Chicago
Chicago (N) 5, Chicago (A) 6

At Detroit
Pittsburgh (N) 0, Detroit (A) 2.

Mob Scenes Mar Glasgow Soccer Match

GLASGOW, April 18 —(CP Cable)—Mob scenes believed unprecedented in British sporting history marred Saturday's International soccer match here in which England defeated Scotland 4-0 to gain its fifth victory in nine wartime starts. The crowd was announced as 105,000 3,000 more than the police limit for Hampden Park, but observers said it was closer to 140,000.

When this wartime record throng rushed the gates as they opened, hundreds were caught and jostled in the jam and 64 spectators were treated for minor injuries, including several who were hurt climbing the fences surrounding the stadium. One middle-aged woman died of a heart ailment while watching the game.

Admission was not limited to ticket holders as is the custom in big matches here, in London. Only 14,000 reserved seats were sold and the rest of the grounds were thrown open to the public through admission turnstiles.

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Some Canadian Sport Snapshots

By CHARLES EDWARDS
Canadian Press Staff Writer

TORONTO, April 19 —(CP)—(MONDAY— Neil Colville tells what makes Ottawa Commandos' great Colville-Shibicky forward line click. The way he told it to Bill (Ottawa Journal) Westwick, it's just a question of three hockey players sticking together over a period of years, working out their own plays, learning each other's way. Neil, his brother, Mac, and Alex Shibicky started together with the Brooklyn Crescents in the Eastern U.S. Amateur League in 1934. They turned professional in 1935 with Philadelphia Ramblers and moved into the big time with New York Rangers the following season. They've been together ever since.

"We started out as three punk kids and once we got together we decided there was a job for each of us," says Neil. I don't think any of us would have gone far without the others." The boys shout to each other on the ice. "Then we got to varying shouts so that every expression meant something."

Junior N.H.L.

Acting President Red Dutton of the National Hockey League is heading back home to Calgary to clean up some personal business. He sees no reason why the League should not operate next season "so long as we operate within the law and don't interfere with the war effort." He explains: "We could fill our ranks with juniors and there are hundreds of good ones available."

Incidentally:
It is reported that New York Rangers considered Mike Karakas, former Chicago Black Hawks player, as solution to their goal-keeping worries this year but the Providence club wanted $15,000 for him. Lester Patrick figured that was too much for a 35-year-old goalie. . . Hamilton junior hockey club has obtained an 18-year-old Port Arthur star, Harold Brayshaw, for next winter. They're also angling for two other Lakehead boys, Albert Shewchuk and Jack Marshall.

LOS ANGELES, April 18—(CP)—Montreal Canadiens scored a hard fought 3-2 victory over Victoria Navy here Saturday night before a crowd of 6,500. The win gave Montreal a three to one lead in the series of exhibition hockey matches.

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