

British Empire Games Unofficially Open Today

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CARDIFF (CP)—The 1953 British Empire Games unofficially open today and, if newspaper space is any yardstick, the whole show will be a two-way fight between England and Australia.

Apart from injury reports and snatches of gossip, the other teams have hardly been noticed by the British press, which is busy calling the shots on the Australia-England showdown.

Canada got its biggest slice of publicity over exaggerated reports about illness and injury among boxers last week and hit the headlines again when Montreal sprinter Diane Matheson said she and quarter-miler Doug Clement of Vancouver plan to marry.

Coach Frank Guthrie declared "Sandra's time was the best in the world during the training which started in Australia last May, yet she isn't even in the quarter-mile."

HEAVY WITH TALENT
Blue was unconcerned. "After all," he said, "we have an embarrassment of riches for this race."

This is typical of Australia's confidence on the eve of the Games. Although they haven't been making a great deal of noise, the Aussies have made no effort to display false modesty. Every statement from the Australian camp is big news here.

The main news from the English track team centres around the three-mile race, in which veterans Derek Ibbotson and Gordon Pirie carry England's hopes against Bert Thomas of Australia, the world record-holder. A big fuss has arisen over the fact that the selectors have not nominated Stan Eldon, the fleet-footed Berkshire policeman, to try to beat Thomas.

Eldon beat both Ibbotson and Pirie in the Amateur Athletic Association championships at London last Saturday.

As far as the mile is concerned—and this one usually attracts the most interest—it is accepted that Australia's Herb Elliott will take it. He has already broken four-minutes six times. Elliott has been taking it rela-

tively easy in the last few days. He loosens up on the track, then pounds out boogie-woogie on the piano at the Empire Village recreation centre.

"The hard work is all done," he said. "I have reached my plateau and all I have to do is stay there."

It was also a restful day for the 111 sprinters and quarter-milers who unofficially open the Games today with a total of 21 elimination heats. For half a crown, a spectator can see some of the world's best runners in action. It will cost a lot more after the games are formally opened Friday by the Duke of Edinburgh.

Because most are entered in other events, the runners are accepting these preliminaries almost as a lark. But it is serious business for at least two quarter-milers who must either qualify or attend the Games as spectators.

One is Charlie Flower, 21, of Gibraltar, whose best time for the 400 is 51.8 seconds, which makes him a slowpoke among the quarter-milers. The other, Gerard Le Roy, 26, of Mauritius, was clocked in 48.4 two months ago. This is the first time either Gibraltar or Mauritius has entered.

The 62-man field for the 100 and the 49 entries for the 440 will be chopped to 36 each after today's preliminaries.

Gaston Roy Battles Norm Gautreau At Arena Tonight

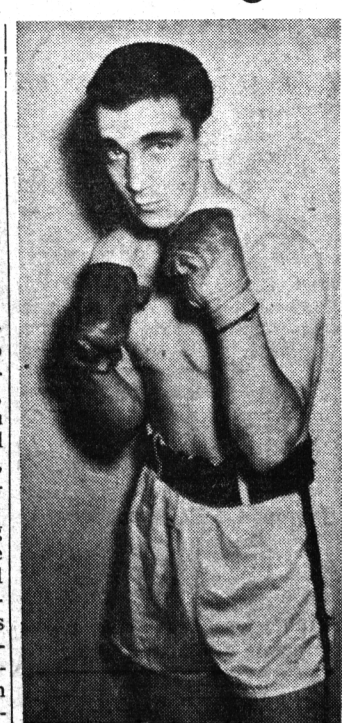
A change has been made on the local boxing card that is coming off at the Sports Arena this evening.

Word was received yesterday afternoon, by boxing promoter Ivan Doherty that Merritt Pitford, New York City swinger, who was to battle with Don "Duck" Trainor, was injured in a car accident in Massachusetts, and will be unable to make it here for tonight's match.

Gaston Roy, former St. Dunstan's University student, who is very well known to local boxing fans, and Norm Gautreau, another well-known name in Maritime boxing circles, will match gloves in the six-round, semi-final bout due to this unfortunate accident to Pitford.

This should be an exciting match as boxing fans who have seen Roy battle, should well know Roy has boxed with experienced and top notch boxers and thrilled the crowds in attendance every time he made an appearance. Gautreau also can dish it out as well as take it, so all-in-all this should be a real thriller.

The main bout, between Island-born Jimmy McGinnis and Jackie Long will also keep the fight fans on their toes. McGinnis' last appearance here was all too short as he polished off his opponent early in the fight, but what the crowd saw they liked. All boxing fans should attend this first boxing card of the season, as this will probably be the top card of the year also.



Wins Ladies Golf Crown

KENTVILLE, N.S. (CP)—Cool-headed Rita Lohnes of Lunenburg, N.S. shot a one over par 77 here Wednesday to capture her second straight Nova Scotia ladies open golf championship.

The 18-year-old champion's 84 and 78 on the two previous days of the tournament gave her the title with a total score of 239. It was 23 strokes better than second-place Mrs. H.P. Connor of Halifax Ashburn who posted an 84 Wednesday. She eagled on the 10th hole in a valiant comeback bid. Another Ashburn golfer, Mrs. G.H. Spencer, had a 89 to finish third with a 265 total.

Marjorie Patterson of Dartmouth Brightwood carried a 91 for a three-day total of 270 and fourth spot.

The durable Saint John, N.B. golfer, Mary Ellen Driscoll, still recovering from a serious highway accident, held on for a fifth place tie. Her 92 Wednesday gave her a grand total of 278 to tie with Mary Boyd of Antigonish N.S.

Miss Lohnes' performance earned her the right to lead the Nova Scotia team at the Canadian championships this year. Other members named Wednesday are Marjorie Patterson, Mary Boyd and Mrs. Rex Hebb of Bridgewater, N.S.

NOTES FROM TOWNSEND TORONTO (CP)—The Telegram says in a copyright story from Victoria that Princess Margaret talked with Group Captain Peter Townsend by telephone Saturday evening. Rosemary Boxer, who wrote the story, says she doesn't know who put in the call but she assumes it was made by the airman from London. The story says two letters from London were awaiting Princess Margaret when she arrived in Victoria Saturday and at least one of them was from Townsend.

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SELECTIONS NEWS
The biggest stories are about selections for the England and Australia teams. The latest concerns the Aussie swimmers.

Sandra Morgan, chunky 16-year-old secretary, splashed through Empire Pool Wednesday for a clocking of 4:56.4 over the 400-yard distance. Then the fun started.

Team manager Allan Blue said Sandra wouldn't start in this event. Dawn Fraser, Ilsa Konrad and Lorraine Crapp were selected for the quarter-mile after the Australian trials last spring and he said the selections would stand.

Death Duties Legislation Is Given Its First Reading
OTTAWA (CP)—The Progressive Conservative government's streamlined legislation on death duties received first Commons reading Thursday. Cutting tax levies slightly, it exempts from taxation all estates of \$50,000 and under.

Forecast in Finance Minister Fleming's June 17 budget speech, the new Estates Tax Act replaces a bill presented to the House at the last Parliament. The former bill was not adopted but was circulated among interested groups for suggestion and comment.

Simplifying the present regulations and relating taxation exclusively to the value of an estate, the legislation incorporates "substantial revisions" of the former bill in the light of submissions received. Mr. Fleming told the House Thursday during debate on a preliminary resolution. **REPLACES OLD ACT**

The bill is intended to replace the present Dominion Succession Duty Act which, however, will continue to govern the estates of persons who die while it is in force.

The new bill provides for fully-deductible exemption of \$60,000 to a widow, plus \$10,000 for each dependent child.

It is expected to cut revenue from death duties—\$71,600,000 last year—by \$7,000,000.

BASEBALL RESULTS
By THE CANADIAN PRESS National League

First	W	L	Pct.	GBL
Cincinnati	102	100	0.000	4 7 0
Chicago	100	010	0.003	5 8 1
Haddix, Jeffcoat (9) and Burgess; Phillips, Hobbie (4) Elston (9) and Neeman. W - Elston. L - Jeffcoat. HRs: Chi - Walls (21), Neeman (7).				
Cincinnati	110	001	2.000	5 7 0
Chicago	200	002	0.03x	7 10 1
Lawrence, Schmidt (8) Acker (8) and Bailey; Solis, Elston (7) Henry (7) and S. Taylor. W - Henry. L - Lawrence. HRs: Cincinnati 2 (4), Chi-Banks (24), Milwaukee 220 020 000-6 9 0 St. Louis 005 000 000-5 13 0				
Spahn, McMahon (8) and Crandall; Jones, Stobbs (4) Jackson (8) Paine (9) and Smith, Landrith (9). W-Spahn. L-Stobbs. HRs: Milwaukee (1), Mathews 2 (19), Aaron (16), St. L-Boyer (18).				

BASEBALL RESULTS
American League

W	L	Pct.	GBL	
New York	55	28	.662	—
Boston	43	40	.518	12
Detroit	41	41	.500	13 1/2
Baltimore	40	43	.482	15
Kansas City	39	43	.476	15 1/2
Chicago	40	45	.471	16
Cleveland	39	47	.453	17 1/2
Washington	37	47	.440	18 1/2

LIVE BOMB
LONDON, Ont. (CP) — A 17-year-old boy plunked on the police station counter an 11-pound bomb he had found in an old garage. Police called an air force expert who said the bomb, still live, was of the acid and smoke variety.

Bolt Is Placed On Probation

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — U.S. National Open champion Tommy Bolt was placed on indefinite probation by the Professional Golfers Association executive committee Wednesday night but received no suspension when he promised to make apology for any misconduct.

The committee upheld a \$500 fine assessed against the temperamental golfer for what officials called abuse of sponsors in a recent Long Island, N.Y., tournament.

Bolt was fined by tournament supervisor Harvey Raynor after he had picked up in the Piping Rock and Pine Hollow tournaments and, according to Raynor, had made uncomplimentary remarks to tournament officials.

Harold Sargent, Atlanta, Ga., president of the PGA, said the committee, after a thorough review of the case, had decided to permit Bolt to continue in PGA competition on the golfer's promise that he would "uphold all of its standards."

Bolt was placed on probation last January. Sargent said the probationary period would be continued indefinitely.

The 15-man committee met with Bolt for an hour Wednesday.

Bolt, long renowned as a club-thrasher, told the committee that he has subsequently apologized for remarks he had made prior to the Long Island tournaments. He also said that he was forced to withdraw from the two tournaments because of illness.

At the time, the National Open champion had complained of severe pains. After picking up in the Pine Hollow tournament he went to the home of his in-laws in Postoria, Ohio, for a rest.

Plans To Retire From Athletics After B.E. Games

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CARDIFF (CP)—Jackie Macdonald Gelling, attractive, blonde Toronto schoolteacher, will retire from athletics after the forthcoming British Empire Games.

"I think I've been doing this long enough," she said Wednesday. "I have decided that this will be my last event."

The elementary schoolteacher, in her fifth year of competition, is entered in the discus and the shot put.

"And frankly," Jackie said in an interview, "I don't expect to reach the top in either event."

But that doesn't bother her. "I just enjoyed the competition and the sport in general and the only reason I want to quit is because I have been doing this a long time and there are other things I want to do."

When she returns to Canada, she will move from her native Toronto to Ottawa where her husband, Bill, is an aeronautical engineer with the RCAF.

TEACH IN OTTAWA
She plans to teach in Ottawa for several years and complete night courses for a bachelor of arts degree. Then she would like to raise a family.

"There really isn't going to be much time for athletics from now on, although Bill and I both hope we can remain active in sport. Perhaps we can help other kids in track and field." Her husband was on the University of Toronto track and field team before he graduated this spring.

Jackie, who placed second in the shot put at the 1954 games, said she allowed her training to slip during the last year and "I wouldn't dare make any predictions about the distances I'll throw in the games." She's not very happy about her showing in training sessions here.

"Some days it's good and some days it's not."

She will head home immediately after the games because, she explained, "Bill and I have only been married since February and while he is very good about me going away like this, I am anxious to get back."

Giants Sell Jim Finigan

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — San Francisco Giants Wednesday sold infielder Jim Finigan to their Phoenix affiliate in the Pacific Coast League.

Finigan was American League rookie of the year in 1954 with Philadelphia, when he hit .302, but hasn't come up to that standard since. He played with Detroit last year and joined the Giants this spring in a trade. He batted 25 times for San Francisco with five hits.

REMEMBER WHEN . . .

By THE CANADIAN PRESS
Joe DiMaggio's great streak of hitting in consecutive games was halted at 56 games, when he was held hitless at Cleveland 17 years ago today. The great centerfielder of New York Yankees had begun his streak at Chicago on May 15.

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Hopes To Swim Round Trip Of English Channel

DOVER, England (AP) — Bert Thomas, 32-year-old swimmer from Portland, Ore., said Wednesday he hopes to make the first round-trip, non-stop swim of the English Channel.

He said he will make his try in about two weeks.

Thomas, the first man to swim the Strait of Juan de Fuca between British Columbia and Washington State, said: "I plan to step up my daily work until late in July. Then I'll make the attempt. I won't spend but two or three minutes ashore after making the first leg and before I start back."

"If I was on land any longer it would upset my swimming rhythm."

Probable Pitchers

NEW YORK (AP) — Probable pitchers in today's major league baseball games (won-lost records in parentheses):

National League
Pittsburgh at Los Angeles (N) — Law (8-7) vs. Williams (5-3)
Philadelphia at San Francisco — Semproch (11-6) vs. Monzant (4-8)
Cincinnati at Chicago — Nuxhall (5-5) vs. Hillman (2-0)
Milwaukee at St. Louis — Willey (2-2) vs. McDaniel (5-7)

American League
Detroit at New York — Hoefl (7-8) vs. Larsen (7-3)
Kansas City at Boston — Goran (2-3) vs. Brewer (3-8)
Chicago at Baltimore (N) — Pierce (9-5) vs. O'Dell (8-10)
Cleveland at Washington (N) — Grant (6-8) vs. Griggs (3-7)

FINE COW

SWEETSBURG, Que. (CP)—A Jersey cow owned by farmer Pierre Veillon has won a certificate for producing at least 2000 pounds of butterfat for four consecutive years.

Braves, Yankees Are Winners

Braves and Yankees were winners in little league baseball yesterday. In the first game the Braves downed the Red Sox 17-7. David Matheson, who was moved up from minor league to little league ranks, was on the mound for the Braves, taking his first little league win. Ian Purvis of the Braves had a perfect day at bat when he hit for 4 including a four-bagger. Pineau of the Red Sox played a good defensive game for his team.

In the second encounter the Yankees took a 6-1 win over the Dodgers. This game featured smart defensive plays by both teams. George Frizzel got credit for the win and Bobby McNutt lead his team to victory by batting 3 for 3 including a homer.

In the first Pony League game of the year yesterday, the Cubs defeated the Indians 9-3. Lee hurled for the winners and Murray took the loss. Roger Guss made the best defensive play of the game in the 2nd inning when he caught Frizzel's hard hit ball at 3rd.

Today's schedule is as follows: 6:30 Minor league practice 9:30 Little league: Braves vs. Dodgers; Red Sox vs. Tigers. 2:00 p.m. Pony League: Indians vs. Cubs. Any other boys between the ages of 12-16 are welcome.

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