

Prince Street Girls Win City Interscholastic Basketball Championship

The Prince Street School girls hoop team captured the City Interscholastic Girls Basketball championship here last night when they dropped the Rochford Square School squad 11-8 in a tightly played encounter at the P. W. C. Auditorium.

The win gives the Prince Street ladies the two-game, total point series 2-1, and the right to meet Summerside Academy in the Provincial finals, P. S. S. won the series opener 10-7 Tuesday night.

Prince Street took a 3-2 lead in the first frame and went on to outscore their rivals 8-6 in the second canto. The game was well played throughout, with the Rochford Square team, most of whom are playing their first year of basketball, providing stiff opposition. Deciding factor for Prince Street was the effective checking of stary Claudette McMillan, Mary Worthy and Elaine Murphy. McMillan, a star of city girls basketball for the past few years, was held to six markers in the two games. In spite of this she turned in outstanding performances in the two encounters and was a threat at all times. Slight Edie Smith topped the point-getting with seven markers and was outstanding for Prince Street. Dawn Messer turned in a good performance netting four. Worthy and Murphy played effective defensive ball.

Claudette McMillan got four for Rochford Square and played a fast, dribbling game all the way. Gallant and Quinn dunked two each.

Line-ups:
P. S. S. — Smith 7, Messer 4, Murphy, Worthy, Pickard, Wran, Perry, Whitlock.
R. S. S. — McMillan 4, Gallant 2, Reeves, Quinn, McManus, Watson, LeClair, Duffy.

Hockey Tonight

Amateur hockey playoffs tonight (Thursday):
Alexander Cup
Semi-Finals: Sydney vs. Valleyfield at Montreal; best-of-seven series tied 2-2.
Allan Cup
Final: Fort Frances at Owen Sound; first game of best-of-seven series.
Memorial Cup
Eastern Canada Final: Barrie at Quebec; Barrie leads best-of-seven series 3-2.

Regina Pats Even Series With Winnipeg

WINNIPEG, April 25 — (CP) — Eddie Litzenberger's goal at 1:47 in overtime tonight gave Regina Pats a 4-3 victory over Winnipeg Monarchs and evened their Western junior hockey final series at three games apiece, with one game tied. Eighth game is here Saturday night.

Nick Mickoski Has Operation

NEW YORK, April 25 — (CP) — Nick Mickoski, New York Rangers' left-winger, today underwent an operation to correct a recurrent dislocation in his right shoulder.

Twice in the last two years the Winnipeg-born hockey player has been sidelined by the injury. Ranger officials said it is hoped today's operation will prevent further trouble. Mickoski was reported in good condition. The Rangers also announced that Edgar Laprade, star centre who missed the last part of the season with a broken leg bone, is expected to be back in action next season. Edgar sent X-rays from his home in Port Arthur, Ont., which were examined by doctors today who said he will be recovered sufficiently to start next season.

Pitcher To File Damages Suit

NEW YORK, April 25 — (AP) — Jim Prendergast, Syracuse pitcher, today filed a \$150,000 damages suit against the Syracuse club in a challenge of baseball's controversial reserve clause.

Prendergast has retained Frederick Johnson, counsel for Danny Gardella in a similar suit against organized baseball, to take action for him. Johnson said he will charge that the reserve clause is monopolistic and violates anti-trust laws.



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At the present rate pre-season work and preparation is progressing at the various local sporting centres it won't be long now before baseball, golf and tennis enthusiasts will be getting their activities rolling for the summer season. Taking a short trip around the respective centres yesterday afternoon one found workmen busily engaged in sprucing up and making the necessary repairs, etc. to their club facilities and grounds in preparation for their official openings.

Work was commenced yesterday at Memorial Field to give the ball diamond its first treatment of the season, and today attention will be given to the cinder track and the many other details required for the many events that will be taking place there during the next few months. Under the direction of Art Perry the infield was being given a thorough raking to rid it of stones and to prepare the surface for rolling. Many other details will also be taken care of in the next week or so.

The players dugouts are to be given what necessary repairs are needed, and along with the east end bleachers will all be painted and readied for use. For so early in the season, the grounds are in excellent condition to facilitate the work being carried out for an early opening. Talking to officials at the grounds yesterday, they did have one request to make, as regards speeding the work along. They would ask all ball players to please refrain from using the diamond for practice during the next week or so, until the diamond has been properly rolled and made ready for use. This request also applies to youngsters playing around with their bicycles or engaged in playing scrub-ball etc. The Old Diamond near the main waterfront at Victoria Park is available to all who wish to hold practice sessions while the Memorial Field diamond is being put in shape.

Preparations at the Charlotte-town Golf Club's Belvedere course have been underway now for the past couple of weeks and marked progress is being made in the regrading of the greens and fairways for the official opening. Most of the work at present is being concentrated on the greens which are all being given a top-dressing of clay, that when completed, will put them in A-1 shape. There, too, the early season is making the work much easier this year than in previous ones and the course is expected to be well ahead of schedule in its opening this year.

Doug Saunders, Club chairman of the greens committee, is directing the work in the absence of Mr. John MacDonald, chief greens-keeper, who is ill and probably won't be able to take over his duties until some time in June. With rake in hand, Doug quotes: "We sure miss Mr. MacDonald out here too. It is no easy job and it can be tricky business unless you really have the experience like John has." A few of the harder golfing enthusiasts could be seen belting a few balls around the fairways during the afternoon, getting in a few practice swings and limbering up for the regular season.

Similar activities have been go-

Giants And Athletics Continue Downward Path

New York Giants and Philadelphia Athletics, current Patisles of the majors, dropped their seventh and sixth straight games respectively in Wednesday's curtailed baseball activities.

The Giants collected eight hits to only five Philadelphia Phils but were beaten 2-1 in a National League game at Philadelphia, as they left runners stranded on the bases all day. In addition, they coaxed six passes off Ken Heintzman, the winner, while loser Larry Jansen did not allow a walk.

The Phils made use of all but one of their safeties, scoring in the second and fourth. The Athletics were shut out again by New York Yankees 4-0. A dozen Athletics reached base against Frank Shea but 10 were left stranded as they failed to score for the second straight day. Two double plays erased the

other Philadelphia runners in the American League game at New York. Alex Kellner yielded only seven hits. Billy Johnson got two of them—a single and double—drove in a run and scored another.

Chicago White Sox divided an American League doubleheader with St. Louis Browns in Chicago, taking the opener 8-6 and dropping the nightcap 7-4. The second game was played under the lights from the second inning on.

The defeat in the second tilt was the first suffered by the White Sox at the hands of the Browns in 13 meetings this year. They whipped the St. Louis team nine straight in spring exhibitions. A home run in the ninth by Ray Coleman gave the Browns their victory in the afterpiece.

Baseball Standings

NATIONAL		
St. Louis	2	677
Philadelphia	5	325
Brooklyn	6	326
Boston	3	600
Chicago	4	3-571 1-2
Pittsburgh	4	3-571 1-2
Cincinnati	2	6-250 3
New York	2	8-200 4

American League		
Cleveland	6	1,857
Washington	5	1,833
New York	6	2,750
Chicago	5	3,625
Boston	3	4,429
Detroit	2	4,333
St. Louis	2	7,222
Philadelphia	1	8,111

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE		
Syracuse	4	1,900
Montreal	3	1,750
Baltimore	4	2,567
Toronto	2	2,500
Buffalo	3	3,333
Rochester	1	4,200
Springfield	1	4,200
Ottawa	1	4,200

Ring Reminiscences

— Fights and Fighters —
(By JAMES PENDERGAST)

Shortly after the bout with Bates I returned to Dawson by steamboat. The trip took ten days. It had taken only four days to go down to Fairbanks. The boat had a never-slackening pull against an average seven mile an hour current. Was able to get about a hundred miles every twenty-four hours. It was about mid-July and daylight was continuous. The trip was a bit monotonous, but the food was good. The round trip ticket was fairly high—\$135.00—but table fare was included. Judge McAulay of Dawson and his wife were aboard. They were affable, and the judge, being originally from one of the Irish settlements of the Niagara peninsula in Ontario, was a great story teller.

I stayed in Dawson about two weeks and then left for Seattle via Whitehorse and Skagway. I took the few hundred dollars I had previously deposited in the Canadian Bank of Commerce. Robert W. Service was then paying teller (in 1908). I was a bit uncertain about the number of hundred dollar bills I was to receive. He was amused, and made some joking remark—although he was of a reticent, backward disposition at that time. On the trip up river I was surprised to see crops of apparently ripe wheat or barley on some small islands in the river. The almost continuous warm sunshine forces a crop very fast.

I saw a very fine field of potatoes on Hatch's Island, two miles above Dawson. It looked to be about five acres. It was owned by a Mr. Holland, who sold his crop in on at the Charlottetown Tennis Club courts at Victoria Park since the first of the week, and the work there is also progressing well. In addition to the raking and levelling of the six courts for rolling, work is also being carried on in the repairing of fences, and painting and odd finishing jobs in connection with the new clubhouse is expected to be carried out shortly. The regrading of the Knights of Columbus courts at Victoria Park was also being carried out during yesterday in preparation for an early opening.

I came "outside" then to Seattle, where my brother worked, stayed a week or ten days, and then left for P. E. Island via Boston. Called at the old Field's Corner car station. Supt. Wilkins told me I was just the man they wanted to see. A ten thousand dollar "damage" case against the Boston Elevated had been adjourned and pending for the two and a half years that I was away. I came home to P. E. I then and next month went back to Boston to testify. I had "touched" a brewery team at Roxbury crossing while driving a car. There was

no damage to either car or team, but there was a shyster lawyer on the car, and he persuaded the persuaded the teamster to enter the big suit for damages. The lawyer tried to befuddle me, but the judge made it easy for me, and the big case was finished. Junk men and brewery teamsters made it quite a "racket" in those times to get hit by an electric car and then sue the company for damages.

Billy Hamilton, then sport writer on the Boston Traveller, who managed my little boxing affairs, arranged with Sam Langford's manager, Joe Woodman, for me to go down to Northboro and box daily with Sam. The proprietor of the training camp was Harry Gath. In company with Sam was George Evers, originally from Charlotte, N.C., and another colored boy named Blot or Floto (or some such name). He was a rubber and general utility man. Sam was training for a bout with Philadelphia Jack O'Brien. There wasn't at that time many big purses for boxing, except for a world's championship bout, but there were \$1,000.00 "houses" in New York City for "catchweight" bouts. It was coming on fast.

Sam was rated as one of the best. He was a faithful trainer, put in a lot of hard work. He went for a fast walk and run first thing after breakfast, which was at 7 o'clock, then a shower bath. Then a rest till noonday meal. After lunch six or seven rounds of boxing, then rope skipping and "medicine" ball throwing, and punching the light bag. I don't remember any heavy bag in the training quarters. Sam was short in stature. I think his height was 5 feet 8 1/2 inches. He was very broad across the shoulders, nearly as broad as Tom Sharkey the sailor. I asked him one day how he got such shoulder muscles. He told me he had been chopping boss in the Maine lumber woods for seven years. That was enough said. I think there is no kind of work can beat axe work for physical development and judgment of distance.

Mr. Holland showed me the letter to his ancestor Major Holland, from the Governor of the colony of New Hampshire, authorizing him to make a survey of this colony. It was written on parchment, in a beautiful Spencerian style of hand writing, which would be done with a quill pen. It was worded in the most courteous language. He kept it in a large trunk with other souvenir possessions and prized it highly. If it could have been acquired it would have been quite an object of interest in the archives of this Province.

Mr. Holland met his death by drowning in the Yukon the next summer. He used to drive from his island with a horse in an express wagon to the road near the bank of the river. The road was a sort of higher causeway across a slough (pronounced slew). During the short interval of time he was at the island the water had risen and contrary to other years was running fast in the slough with the result that the horse and carriage and himself were carried into deep water and he lost his life.

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B.I.S. ANNUAL MEETING

The Postponed Annual Meeting of the BENEVOLENT IRISH SOCIETY will be held in WHELAN HALL TUESDAY, MAY 1st, AT 7 P. M.

Could Pack In Million For Final In English Soccer

By Michael O'Mara
LONDON, April 25 — (Reuters) — If they built a stadium to hold 1,000,000 spectators they'd have no trouble filling it at least once during Britain's sports year—for the final of the English soccer cup. For every one of the 100,000 who'll jam Wembley Stadium Saturday to see Newcastle United meet Blackpool in the most glamorized game of the soccer season, at least 10 more fans would gladly give eye teeth to get inside. "They might not see a great game; many cup finals of the past have been disappointing as exhibitions of soccer. But they'd see the clash of two fighting football clubs who have emerged the only unbeaten outfits of the 673 amateur and professional squads that set foot on the Wembley trail last fall.

This year's contest shapes up as a one-sided display with Blackpool figuring as hot form favorites to whip the Coaltown team easily.

Since the Lancashire lads won their cup semi-final last month they have racked up seven wins in 10 starts in league contests while over the same period Newcastle has won only once in 11 games. Newcastle's once-potent forward line has failed to score a single goal in its last five home games.

But bookies, remembering other cup final upsets, are eagerly laying odds ranging only as high as 5 to 4 against Newcastle to trim the tangerine- and white-clad team from Blackpool.

Blackpool are more colorful of the two squads with their demon forward combination of centre Stan Mortensen and right wing Stanley Wizard of Dribble Match-thews, perhaps the greatest ball-control player soccer has ever produced.

Newcastle United has won the big silver trophy three times before, in 1910, 1924 and 1932, and lost four other finals—in 1903, 1906, 1908 and 1911.

Blackpool has reached the final once losing 4-2 to Manchester United three years ago.

The competition was started in 1872 and with the exception of wartime interruptions has highlighted English soccer every year since.

Ladies Bowling League Concludes

The Ladies Friday Afternoon Bowling League had their final meeting of the season Tuesday evening, April 24th with a full attendance. They enjoyed a delicious hot turkey dinner served by the Ladies Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A. in their lovely banquet hall.

Prizes were presented to the winning team — Capt. Nita MacDonald, Jennie Rogerson, Olive MacDonald, Louise Cery, Rita MacNeill. High average went to Elizabeth MacDonald, high single to Jennie Rogerson. A lively "sing" led by Barbara Roper with Louise Cery at the piano was a pleasant interlude before bridge at which the prize winners were Rita MacNeill and Connie MacMillan. And so a delightful evening concluded a very happy bowling season.

NEW YORK, April 25 — (AP) — Casey Stengel, manager of New York Yankees, returned to his team today after spending almost a day in hospital because of a kidney ailment. He was stricken just before Tuesday's game.

Baseball Results

(By The Associated Press)

NATIONAL LEAGUE

New York	000 000 100—1 8 0
Philadelphia	100 100 000—2 5 0
Jansen, Jones (7), Getzel (8) and Westrum, Noble (7); Heintzman and Lopata.	
Chicago	000 120 000 3 5 0
Cincinnati	000 020 02x 4 9 1
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Pittsburgh	000 000 000 0 2 1
St. Louis	020 001 01x 4 6 1
Chambers, Muri (8) and McCullough, Fitzgerald (8); Pohlman and D. Rice.	
Boston	000 001 002 0 6 11 2
Brooklyn	000 200 010 5 11 1
Bickford, Donnelly (9) "Nichols" (9) and Cooper; Newcombe, King (4) and Campanella.	

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Philadelphia	000 000 000—0 4 0
New York	010 210 00x—4 7 2
Kellner and Tipton; Shea and Berra.	

First game:—

St. Louis	201 100 200 6 8 1
Chicago	200 200 20x 8 11 1
Widmar, Pillett (4) Kennedy (8) and Lollar; Gumpert, Littlefield (5) Dorish (8) and Niarhos.	

Second Game:—

St. Louis	000 040 003 7 9 0
Chicago	000 001 300 4 9 0
Starr, Garver (7) and Moss, Lollar (9); Dobson, Rotblatt (8) Dorish (9) and Masl.	

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

Baltimore	200 101 000—4 7 2
Montreal	010 005 30x—9 13 0
Payne, Jordan (5), Trinkle (6) and Anderson; Pobjielan, Malletta (7) and Atwell.	

Max Bentley Signs Contract With Leafs

TORONTO, April 25 — (CP) — Max Bentley has signed his contract with Toronto Maple Leafs of the National Hockey League for next season. It was announced today. Previously, the ace pivot centre ice man had talked of retirement.

Joe Klukay, on the same forward line with Bentley, also signed, bringing Leafs' total signatures for next season to five.

Previously goalie Turk Broda and defencemen Fern Flaman and Bill Juzda inked contracts.

VANCOUVER, April 25 — (CP) — The Vancouver Amateur Swimming Club announced today that the Dominion swimming and diving championships will be held July 25 to 28.

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