

Sport Slants

by ALAN J. GOULD

The flying Frenchmen of Montreal Les Canadiens walloped the Boston Bruins so decisively in the final playoffs for the world's professional hockey championship that no squawk from this side of the international border seems possible. Nevertheless there appears to the bewildered bystander little competitive reason for a system whereby the best team in any league can be softened up and finally knocked off in post-season play by a second or third place club.

The battling Bruins spread-eagled the National Hockey league circuit during the regular season, shattering all records by winning 38 out of 44 games. Then they beat the Montreal Maroons in a playoff between first place clubs of the two five-club divisions into which the N. H. L. is divided.

Under ordinary circumstances and in most any sport this would be considered convincing enough proof of superiority. But they then played and lost to the Canadiens who are not even champions of

Montreal, having lost the city series to the Maroons.

The argument naturally is that the Bruins do not belong at the top unless they can beat any team in a given series but the facts were that they lost in the finals to a team they had beaten with regular season. Another inconsistency seems to be that the final series was a best-two-out-of-three games whereas the first place playoffs (or semi-finals) were on a best-three-out-of-five basis, a better test of team strength. Undoubtedly that hard series with the Maroons softened up the Boston outfit.

Picture the roars that would go up if the major league baseball campaign was settled on the same basis as hockey. The world's series as it is now known, merely would be a preliminary. And the Athletics, for instance, after beating the rival pennant-winning team, Chicago, last year would then have been forced to play the survivor of a second and third place round robin. Cleveland, which finished 24 games behind the A's in third place, would have had a post-season chance to become world's champions—if the hockey system prevailed.

What has the East got to offer against the 1929 invasion of the Pacific coast talent in college track and rowing?

Not what it would like to have but enough to offer the chance of an even break, anyway.

Nothing short of a train wreck seems capable of halting the suc-

cess of the Southern California and Stanford track teams in the I. C. A. A. A. championships at Cambridge and Cornell, famed for great track teams in the old days, are staging comebacks. Harvard, Yale, Georgetown, Penn State and New York university will contribute some fine talent but about all the East can hope for here is to grab a fair share of the individual laurels.

On the water, however, it may be a different story, even with Washington sending another fine varsity crew and California always a threat. Columbia will be well equipped to defend the varsity honors at Poughkeepsie in June. Cornell, Syracuse and Pennsylvania all expect to have improved entries and the Navy is always to be reckoned with.

JUDGE'S WIFE HURT
SALEM, Ore., April 15 (AP)—Resulting from an automobile accident Sunday on the Pacific highway near Albany, Mrs. Henry J. Dean, wife of Justice Dean of the supreme court, is suffering with a broken rib at her home here. Justice and Mrs. Dean with their daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Harold Larson, of Portland, were returning to Salem from Newport when their car skidded on the pavement. Others in the party escaped with minor bruises when the car went into the ditch.

HOOVER'S IMPROVED
WASHINGTON, April 15 (AP)—The President and Mrs. Hoover, who have been suffering from colds, were reported today to be improved.

President Hoover was at his desk.

Mrs. Hoover, who was unable to accompany him yesterday to the opening baseball game and the congress of the Daughters of the American Revolution, remained indoors.

VILLAGE DESTROYED
LAIBACH, Yugoslavia, April 5 (AP)—The entire village of Kaluka near Laibach, comprising 90 houses was destroyed by fire today. The fire started when a child upset a can of fat on a kitchen stove. The child was killed.

UN-EASTER LIKE WEATHER
ROME, April 15 (AP)—Rome is having the most un-Easter like weather in several years. This forenoon for the second time in ten days, a violent hail storm struck the city. It was preceded and followed by torrential rain and heavy wind.

Keep Old Name of Coin
The current French-Canadian word for a "dollar" is still a "pistole," an ancient French coin, formerly worth ten francs, today still nominally used in some parts of France in buying and selling horses.

Great Problem
The political problem of mankind is to combine three things: Economic efficiency, social justice, and individual liberty.—John Maynard Keynes.

BEFORE MEAL

WEDNESDAY PROGRAMS
National Broadcasting company: 6, music and financial advice; 6:30, songs and orchestra; 7:30, Grantland Rice's sports, dance orchestra; 8, Jack and Ethyl; 8:30, Amos and Andy; 8:45, Serenaders; 9:15, Melodians; 10, prohibition poll; 10:15 to 11, minstreis.

Columbia Broadcasting system: 7, symphony orchestra and singers; 7:45, New York program; 9, Fast Freight; 9:30, KFI specialty program; 11 to 12, dance music.

Tacoma

KVI (780): 7 to 9, silent; 9, CBS; 10, instrumental trio; 10:15, slumber hour; 11, CBS.

Seattle

KJR (970): 6, popular programs; 9, orchestra; 10, sunshine program; 10:30, solo numbers; 11, dance music, Revelers.

Salt Lake City

KSL (1300): 6, NBC; 8, musical program; 9:30, NBC; 9, features; 9:15, NBC; 10:15, popular orchestra; 11, Vagabond of Air.

Portland

KEX (1180): 6, popular programs; 8, orchestra; 10:30, dance music; 11:30, news; 11:40, Mid-night matinee.

KGW (620): 6, NBC; 9:30, vaudeville; 10, Cecil and Sally; 10:10, concert; 11 to 12, dance band.

San Francisco

KFO (680): 7, popular music; 8, NBC; 8:30, musical capers; 9, Cecil and Sally; 9:15, concert; 10, dance music.

KATC (610): 7, CBS; 10, recordings; 10:30 to 11, dance music.

Oakland

KGO (790): 6, NBC; 9:30, miniature biographies; 10, NBC; 11, dance music.

KLX (880): 7, news, music; 9, bookworm; 9:15, concert; 10:10, dance music.

Spokane

KHIQ (590): 6, NBC; 11, requests.

Los Angeles

KNX (1050): 6, organ, little symphony; 7, Mr. and Mrs. radio skit; 7:30, feature program; 8:30, string ensemble; 9, feature program and bridge talk; 10 to 11, dance music.

KHJ (290): 7, CBS; 10, news, dance music; 12 to 1, organ.

KFI (640): 6, NBC; 9:15, concert orchestra and soloists; 10:30, dance music.

OFFICE CAT

By JUNIUS TRIADY

Squeeze out a tear for this poor girl—

Her fate would make one sick; Her given name was Luna, and She married Mr. Tick.

SOME GENIUS SHOULD NEXT UNDERTAKE TO PURIFY THE AMERICAN GIRL.

There's nothing the voter enjoys more than picking a candidate and then picking on him after he's elected.

"If wives only knew what stenographers really think of their husbands, they would cease to worry."

All of our children appreciate everything we do for them today, but they don't appreciate the things we did for them as far back as yesterday. Mother isn't afraid of dad's old sweetheart, but still she is right glad to hear that the old sweetheart has a double chin.

Mother can forgive a neighbor's girl for almost anything but for being more popular than her own daughter.

When wife is real quiet for a long time, husband knows she is thinking of the happy days before she met him.

Nobody makes good socially until he learns to look interested when he's bored.

Mention is found of a book entitled "One Hundred Ways a Girl Can Be Helpful About the House." A very discouraging work, we suspect, to a girl who had rather hoped there weren't more than half a dozen ways, all told.

IT ISN'T DONE ANY MORE

"My aim is to live on my husband's income," says Mrs. John Coolidge. Bless their hearts, that's the aim of all of 'em—but they're such darn poor shots.

Remember, when the neighborhood darling caught the numps and the gang mailed him a box of sour pickles.

Age and Youth

"Age speaks words of wisdom," said Hi Ho, the sage of Chinatown—"but, as in previous generations, it is youth that sets the fashions."

—Washington Star.

Tortures of Imagination

The brightest people have imagination, but they pay for it by enduring many troubles that never come.

For Medicine Stains

Almost any medicine stain may be removed from linen by soaking it in alcohol, rinsing with water and placing in the sunlight.

The Beautiful

The beautiful rests on the foundations of the necessary. The soul makes the body.—Emerson.

Or Cold Feet

No matter how clever a doctor may be he cannot cure swollen heads.—South Bend Tribune.

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Easter brings new patterns and new colors in shirts to you—tailored of broadcloth—fast colors.

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