

Madison Square Garden 25th Anniversary

NEW YORK, Dec. 18—(AP)—Madison Square Garden, that vast indoor truck farm specializing in rhubarbs and cauliflower, 25 years old Friday, but the silver anniversary was celebrated without fanfare.

There was just another routine program, an event as routine as a morning shave. But to those who reflect on its history the big arena is crowded with memories. Memories of gripping drama, of comedy, of thrills, of disappointments, even of tragedy. Built primarily as a home for Tex Rickard's fight shows, the Garden through the years has become the core of practically every activity, whether it is a track meet, hockey match, basketball game, ice show, dog show, circus, rodeo, artistic concert, weight-lifting tournament, polo match, political rally, flower show or baking exhibit.

The Garden, second generation of structures to bear the name, was the brainchild of Rickard, riding high in the early 20s as a fight promoter. Tex first casually suggested that the Polo Grounds be walled in and a roof put over it to make a year-around sports palace.

His associates figured that was a little too much like putting a bridge over the Atlantic Ocean, but when he suggested a new Garden be built on the site of the old car barns on 8th Ave. at 50th St., the idea got immediate backing. Rickard, John Ringling, the circus man, and William Carey, railroad builder, were the big three in the enterprise.

Although the new structure was not officially opened until Dec. 15, 1925, when Montreal Canadians defeated Brooklyn Americans in a National Hockey League Match, several events were held in the new sports palace before that. The six-day bike riders were the first to beat the gun, starting their mad whirl Nov. 28.

Says New U.S. Defence Secretary Considered

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18—(AP)—A White House source said today that President Truman is considering W. Stuart Symington, chairman of the National Security Resources Board, as his next defence secretary. This source, who did not want to be quoted by name, said he expects Symington to get the office eventually, but that no date has been set. He

Marion Has Operation On Knee

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 18—(AP)—St. Louis Cardinal manager Marj Marion today underwent a 45-minute operation which his doctors say will make him a playing manager next year—if he wants to play.

Surgeons made two incisions on Marion's right knee to remove a cartilage which was torn in an exhibition game last spring. Doctors said the operation was "successful," and that Marion should be in good condition to play ball. The new Redbird manager had said he would not be able to play a full season unless the cartilage could be removed. He is expected to be released from the hospital in a week.

Left-Winger Airs Views

TORONTO, Dec. 18—(CP)—Dr. James G. Endicott, chairman of the left-wing Canadian Peace Congress, said last night Gen. MacArthur's claim that an army of 1,000,000 Chinese has intervened in Korea is "a big hoax."

He told about 3,000 persons at a meeting sponsored by the Peace Congress that only 30,000 Chinese volunteers with light arms had entered the Korean war.

Asked for clarification, he said today in an interview that his preference was to the situation Dec. 1.—"But to the best of my knowledge there hasn't been any increase since then in the number of Chinese in Korea."

HONG KONG, Dec. 18—(Reuters)—Three Britons from the crew of a Catalina flying boat which landed near Macao Friday, have been taken to Canton by Chinese Communists, reports from the mainland said today. Why a Hong Kong-bound aircraft landed near the "wrong island" is still a mystery here.

would succeed Gen. George C. Marshall, whom Truman has called out of retirement three times to tackle grave problems.

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It looks like fans and sportswriters are going to have a busy time during the next few weeks in bringing themselves up to date on who's who on Big Four club rosters and are going to have a lot of new faces to familiarize themselves with.

There has been considerable last minute re-shuffling of players by the various clubs to meet the 18-player deadline of December 15th, when all clubs are required to list their official rosters, or make allowances for those to be brought in by January 25th, if under the maximum 18-player strength.

According to the secretary-registrar of the Maritime Amateur Hockey Association, there have been a number of changes too. Of the four teams only Moncton are listed under strength, with 15 men, but of that number four are new men of their playing force. Phil Metcalfe, a defenceman, and forward Dunc Burgess are two of the new ones, coming in exchange for Lou Milani, who is now on his way to join Shawinigan Falls Cataracts; Metcalfe and Burgess are formerly of Sherbrooke Saints of the Q.S.H.L. Former coach Gerdon Drillon, is also listed as a player and another by the name of Seymour.

Halifax haven't made any great changes, despite the fact that a player trade with Moncton was in the wind, but later fell through. John Myketyk and Allan "Rocky" Sullivan, who have been on the injured list, are being retained by Halifax on their 18-man list. Gord Miller and Tom Buck, who were included in the trade with Moncton, are among the missing and are ap-

Fine With Misconduct Penalty

HALIFAX, Dec. 18—(CP)—Maritime Senior Hockey League players will be fined \$10 for misconduct penalties and \$25 for match-misconducts, C. E. McAlinden, loop secretary-treasurer, announced today.

The announcement followed a week-end meeting of the M. S. H. L. executive at Moncton. Mr. McAlinden said: "A resolution passed by the M. S. H. L. says that a \$10 fine will be automatically imposed on all players receiving misconduct penalties and \$25 for all match-misconduct penalties.

"Players receiving match penalties are subject to the case being reviewed by the League president and are liable to both suspension and fine. "The fine must be paid by the player within seven days of notification by the president. Otherwise, the player, coach and referees will be notified the player is ineligible to perform until further notice. The ruling goes into effect today."

arently destined for upper Canadian circles. L. Rinfret and coach Les Ramsay are listed among Saint John Beavers player strength. Jack Morrow, with Moncton up until last week, has already found his niche with Islanders front-line brigade and Johnny Black of the Vancouver Canucks is destined to arrive here today to fill in the only recent changes on the Islanders' roster. Fred Denny's name is also missing on Moncton's front line corps.

Henrich Playing Days Over

NEW YORK, Dec. 18—(AP)—Tommy Henrich, a member of the New York Yankees since 1937 and one of baseball's most feared batsmen, decided to hang up his glove today rather than play on an injured knee. He accepted a job on the coaching staff of the world champions.

Tommy, known as "Old Reliable" for his timely hitting and slick play in right field and at first base, played little last season and was taken off the eligible list for the World Series between the Yanks and Philadelphia Phillies. The knee, injured in the spring, pained him severely each time he had to make a quick turn or stop. So, at 34, the Massillon, O., boy has chosen to call it a career. He will be the fourth man on manager Casey Stengel's coaching staff.

Had he wished, Henrich could have had the job of managing the Yankees' Kansas City club in the American Association. He preferred, first, to learn all he could about managing from Stengel.

British Boxer Defeats Yarosz

LONDON, Dec. 18—(AP)—Tommy Yarosz, light heavyweight boxer from Pittsburgh has been disqualified for holding after 2:15 seconds of the eighth round of his 10-rounder with Randolph Turpin, British Empire middleweight champion. Yarosz weighed 168½, Turpin 163.

Referee Ben Green warned the American in almost every round about his clinging tactics. Turpin, meanwhile gave Yarosz a steady going over with both hands that brought blood from Yarosz's nose and from cuts under and over his left eye. Turpin was far in front when the referee intervened.

DARNLEY SCHOOL

Report for December
Grade X — 1. Anna Hickey, 2. Norma Rose Crozier, George McKay, (equal), 3. Mary Craig.
Grade IX — 1. Roma Mountain, 2. Doris, 3. Shirley Champion, 3. Gordon Champion.
Grade VII — 1. Violet Mountain, 2. Gertrude Crozier, 3. Harriet Campbell.
Grade VI — 1. Paul Hickey, Lester Champion, (equal), 2. Preston Bearsto, 3. Marlene Pickering.
Grade V — 1. Edwin Simmons, 2. Darrell Dickleson, 3. Sheila McKay.
Grade IV — 1. Marjorie Mountain, 2. Donnie Whitlock, Dale Pickering (equal), 3. Dorothy Connick.
Grade III — 1. Norman McKay
Grade II Sr. — 1. Joyce Champion, 2. John Cousins, Robert Cousins, Doris Connick, (equal).
Grade II Jr. — 1. Mildred Thompson, 2. Jimmie Thompson, Margaret Pickering, (equal), 3. George Mountain.
Grade I A — 1. Gerald Champion, 2. Kenneth Champion.
Grade I B — 1. Mary Campbell.
Principal — Elaine Sudbury.
Assistant — Miriam Hickey.

TORONTO, Dec. 18—(CP)—Three-year-old Ernest Davidson, Jr., was credited with saving 11 persons today when flames swept through a downtown Shuter Street rooming-house.

The boy scrambled up a smoke-filled stairway and awakened his caretaker father, Ernest Davidson, 25. Davidson aroused 10 overnight guests who leaped from second-storey windows as flames spread up the stairs. Two suffered minor injuries. The blaze broke out when an oil furnace exploded.

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National League Statistics

NEW YORK, Dec. 18—(AP)—Three New York Giants right-handers—Jim Hearn, Sal Maglie and Larry Jansen—dominated the National League pitching scene in 1950, both in earned-run average and in winning percentage, according to official averages released today.

Tolling for a third-place club, Hearn posted a glittering E.R.A. of 2.49 to lead the pack in what generally is considered the final gauge of pitching excellence. Maglie, former Mexican Leaguer, ran him a tight second with 2.71.

Ewell Blackwell, Cincinnati's rubber arm, deprived the Giant's trio of a clean sweep by placing third at 2.97 per game, but Jansen came next at 3.01 to make it three out of four for Leo Durocher's staff.

Maglie, who began the season as a relief pitcher, posted the highest winning percentage with his 18 victories and four defeats for .816, followed by Hearn's 13-4 for .763. Hearn was obtained from the St. Louis Cardinals in mid-season. Jansen's 19-13 won-and-loss record landed him in ninth place.

Not since 1943 have the pitchers of one team so dominated either major league. In that year Howie Pollet, Max Lanier and Mort Cooper of the Cardinals ran 1-2-3 with earned run averages of 1.75, 1.90 and 2.30 respectively.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18—(AP)—President Truman told his congressional leaders today he needs additional powers in the field of government contracts and organization in order to deal with the world crisis. House Speaker Sam Rayburn (Dem., Tex.) said after a 90-minute White House conference that Truman indicated he would send a specific request to the Capitol as soon as the necessary papers could be drafted.

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Grade I A — 1. Jimmy Nantes, 2. Patricia Kelly.
Grade I B — 1. Aeneas McAvinn, Teacher — Vivian Trainor.

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Grade X — 1. Cyril Molyneux, Anna Marie Campbell, (equal), 2. Mary Roberts, 3. Joseph Roberts.
Grade IX — 1. Charles Campbell, 2. Mary McDonald.
Grade VIII — 1. Adri Monaghan, 2. Helena Campbell, Cecelia McQuaid, Francis Shreanan, Francis Roberts, (equal), 3. Burnell McDonald, Lucy Hogan, (equal).
Grade VII — 1. Clifford Hughes.
Grade VI — 1. George Monaghan, 2. Wendell McDonald, 3. Lenus Molyneux.
Teacher — Phyllis Reeves.

SANTA SAYS:

A spoonful of tar will spoil a barrel of honey and late shopping can spoil Yule week-end.



Canucks Winning Streak Ends

VANCOUVER, Dec. 18—(CP)—Vancouver Canucks' hope of sharing a chunk of Pacific Coast Hockey League fame—playing 11 straight games without a defeat—has been decisively squashed by Seattle Ironmen.

The Ironmen are racking up quite an undefeated streak of their own in a sustained fight to scramble out of the P.C.H.L. pit, where they were entombed when the season started.

Vancouver had gone 10 games without a loss when they tangled Sunday night at Seattle with the Ironmen. Seattle got five goals to Vancouver's three.

Eleven games without a loss is the league record set two years ago by New Westminster Royals.

The win stretched Seattle's unbeaten streak on home ice to seven games. In three end-of-the-week games the Ironmen got two draws and one win.

Watching this from high above, but not with detachment, were the Royals, still in top place but not as secure as they were earlier in the season. Royals and Ironmen battled to a 3-3 draw Saturday night.

While Seattle was hammering Vancouver, Victoria Cougars moved into a fourth-place tie with Canucks by tying the second-place Portland Eagles 3-3.

Canucks had moved into fourth place earlier in the week by beating the same Cougars 4-0 for goalie Hec Highten's first shutout. It was sweet revenge for Highten, discarded by Victoria only a few weeks ago and picked up by Vancouver on the rebound.

New Westminster played high-grade hockey throughout the week and the latest standings show the Royals with a five-point lead over Portland. Tacoma Rockets follow closely by two points.

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