

# Ready for "National"

By BEN PHLEGAR

LONDON (AP)—The Grand National, the world's most famous and unpredictable steeplechase, will be run Saturday at Aintree.

If you're looking for a winner you'd better get the old hatpin sharpened up. For years, science and the bookies have proved that the hatpin method is by far the most reliable for finding the winner of this free-for-all where the favorite almost never wins and where most of the field never sees the finish line.

Fifty-two horses, including two previous winners, are eligible to start in the 4½-mile chase over 30 of the toughest fences on any race course. Veteran observers agree that the odds against any particular horse ever finishing are at least 10 to 1.

The shortest price at the moment, as far as possible winners are concerned, is a fraction more than that of J. H. Griffin's Irish-bred Royal Tan heads the list at 100 to 9.

Royal Tan, an eight-year-old gelding, finished second to Nickel Coin last year. They were the only two horses of a starting field of 36 to finish the course without falling.

Derrinstown finished third despite the fact it fell at the 22nd fence. Jockey Albert Power scrambled to his feet, remounted and brought his horse home at odds of 65 to 1.

Derrinstown is in this year's race, too, but so far the betting public must consider that last year's events were only luck. You can still get odds of 100 to 1 against Derrinstown winning.

This tremendous uncertainty and long odds against success make the National an ideal fixture for the Irish Hospital Sweepstakes. The sweeps base their main drawing each year on the results of this race.

On form alone the horses to watch are Royal Tan, which will carry 160 pounds compared with 143 last year; Freebooter, the 1950 winner which is loaded down with top weight of 175 pounds; Joy and Border Luck, both of them winners in two of their last three races.

In addition to Freebooter, there is one other previous winner in the field. It's Russian Hero, a long-shot victor in 1949 which hasn't won a race since that Grand National triumph.

In addition to its other claims to fame, the National is also the world's richest steeplechase. First place this year will be worth \$26,753.

Twenty-eight special trains will run to Liverpool from all parts of the British Isles. The crowd, on which an official figure is never announced, is expected to run somewhere near the usual 300,000.

If 50 or more of the eligibles start the field will be the third largest in the 106-year history of the race. The record field is 66 in 1929 when Greglach won at 100 to 1. In 1947 there were 57 starters and again a 100-to-1 shot, Caughoo, won. Forty-nine started and seven finished when Freebooter won at 10 to 1 in 1950.

# The DAILY NEWS SPORTS

## Boston Takes Lead In NHL Semi-Finals

Jack McIntyre's Third-Period Counter Leaves Canadiens Behind Eight-Ball

MONTREAL (CP)—Jack McIntyre's third-period goal Thursday night gave the Boston Bruins a 1 to 0 decision and a three-two lead in games over the Montreal Canadiens in the best of seven Stanley Cup semi-final.

It was the third victory in a row for the Bruins who played a sound, steady game all the way and protected their slender lead for the last 17 minutes of the bitterly fought game, with a brilliant defensive display.

The Canadiens roared to a two-game lead on home ice to start the series but the Bruins, who finished fourth in the 70-game National Hockey League schedule, tied it up at home.

Boston's win before 14,519 fans puts the club in a commanding position to wind up the series at home and move on to Detroit to meet the league champion Red Wings in the final for the historic trophy.

## on The ALLEYS

Peggy Thompson took the lead in all scoring in the Ladies' Bowling League Tuesday. Bowling for Lyons, in A Division, she rolled a 302 single and tripped 683. Elsie Rosang, of Co-op, rolled 30 high single in B Division with 255, while Mona Lykegard, of Shentons, totalled high with 633.

**Results**  
A Division—Lyons 3, Savoys 0; Rosa Lee 3, Wrathalls 0; G & Anderson 3, Cloverleafs 0; Lucky Strikes 2, Stars 1; McMeekins 2, Annettes 1; Dibb Printing 2, Skeena Grocery 1.

B Division—75 Taxi 3, Sunrise 0; Co-op 2, Seventh Ave. 1; Shentons 2, Mansons 1; McKays 2, Cooks 1; Big Sisters 2, Rupert Radio 1; Tollers 2, Commercial 1.

**Standings**  
A Division—Lucky Strikes 14, Lyons 12, Dibb 10, McMeekins 10, Annettes 10, Rosa Lee 10, G & A 8, Savoy 7, Skeena 7, Wrathalls 7, Cloverleafs 7, Stars 6.

B Division—Cooks 12, Sunrise 11, Seventh Ave. 11, Co-op 10, Shentons 10, Commercial 9, McKays 9, Mansons 9, Rupert Radio 8, Tollers 8, 75 Taxi 6, Big Sisters 5.

## BASEBALL SCORES

**Pacific Coast**  
Portland 4, San Francisco 3.  
Seattle 4, Hollywood 1.  
Oakland 0, San Diego 3.  
Los Angeles 12, Sacramento 2.

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April 5th, 6th and 7th

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- 20 Original Paintings of Maclean's Magazine Covers.
- 56 Mexican Wood Cuts and Lithographs.
- Vancouver School of Art Variety Exhibit.

### PROGRAMME

- SATURDAY — YOUNGSTERS' DAY  
SATURDAY AFTERNOON, 2 TO 5 P.M.—  
1. Opening, 2 P.M.—Art and Craft Demonstration by Junior Members.  
2. Movie, 4:00 P.M.—The Carlsen Story.  
SATURDAY EVENING, 7 TO 10 P.M.—  
1. Art and Craft Demonstration by Teen Members.  
2. Movie, 8:30 P.M.—The Carlsen Story.  
SUNDAY, 2 TO 5 P.M.—  
1. Symphony Concert and Tea.  
2. Movie, 4:00 P.M.—The Carlsen Story.  
MONDAY AFTERNOON, 2 TO 5 P.M.—  
2:00 P.M.—Art and Craft Demonstration by Adult Members.  
4:00 P.M.—Movie, The Carlsen Story.  
MONDAY EVENING, 7 TO 10 P.M.—  
7:00 P.M.—Art and Craft Demonstration by Adult Members.  
8:30 P.M.—Movie, The Carlsen Story.  
9:30 P.M.—Drawing for raffle prizes.

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1937 Terraplane Sedan \$195.00

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- 2—1951 Austin Sedans
- 1—1949 Austin Panel
- 1—1948 Ford Sedan
- 1—1941 Morris Sedan
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- 1—1936 Ford Sedan

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## Sugar Ray's Ambition

Harlem Negro Wants To Join Company of Triple Champs

NEW YORK (AP)—His old lust for fighting has faded away with time but Sugar Ray Robinson wants to rack up one more record before he hangs up his gloves.

The middleweight king wants to join Bob Fitzsimmons and Henry Armstrong among the ultra elite of triple champions. Unless present plans go awry, the Harlem Negro will go after his third crown against light heavyweight champion Joey Maxim in the Yankee Stadium late this June.

Robinson has two more middleweight title defenses scheduled before then. April 16 he'll face Rocky Graziano in Chicago Stadium, and a month later he'll take on Paddy Young in Madison Square Garden.

Fitzsimmons was the first boxer to win three titles although he never held the three at one time as Armstrong did later. Fitz captured the middleweight, heavyweight and light heavyweight championships in that order.

Armstrong seized the featherweight title in 1937 and then swept the lightweight and welterweight championships in 1938. Because of Armstrong's monopoly of three of boxing's most active divisions, boxing commissioners ruled a fighter couldn't hold more than one title at a time.

Robinson was forced to give up his welterweight title when he knocked the middleweight crown off Jake LaMotta's bulging brow. If he whips Maxim, Ray probably will retire from the ring. The Sugar Man has more than a half-dozen business enterprises going to keep him warm.

Barney Ross and Tony Canzoneri each held two genuine titles, the lightweight and welterweight diadems, and one synthetic championship—the junior welterweight. Junior title are no longer recognized.

### BIG RIVERS

The combined delta of the Ganges and Brahmaputra Rivers in Bengal covers an area nearly as big as England and Wales.

## Grudge Matches Are Featured in Final Curling

Neely Moore's rink holds the Prince Rupert Curling Club challenge trophy for the rest of the year and the Dominato rink (Grand Challenge winners) proved its superiority over Rowbotham 9-6 in the final curling matches for the season held last night.

In another "grudge" match Shier rink defeated Blank rink (the challengers) 15-7.

Moore rink, skipped by Neely Moore, defeated Eyoifson 19-4, supported by W. Cuthill, Joe Scott and Art Nickerson. With Barney Eyoifson (skip), played Rusty Ford, Gordon Bateman and Harold Thom.

In the first grudge match, Rowbotham rink had challenged the bonspiel Grand Challenge winners on the strength that Rowbotham had won both the Gordon's Hardware club trophy and North Star bonspiel trophy.

In the third match, Black rink challenged Shier due to the seven-ender scored against the former in the bonspiel. Shier opened the match, counting five in the first end, four in the last.

Tonight a broom-ball game and a dance on the ice winds up curling activity for the season. Rink will be opened to skating for a possible two-week period, beginning Saturday.

A man in an insane asylum sat fishing over a flower bed, when a visitor, wishing to be friendly, walked up and asked, "How many have you caught today?"

Replied the inmate: "You're the ninth."

## B-H PAINTS

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## STEELHEAD DERBY

OPENING SATURDAY

April 5 - May 17

Annual Steelhead Derby open to members of Prince Rupert Rod & Gun Club only.

Memberships available at Sporting Goods stores, Hardware stores, or phone Jim Bacon (948) or George Rorvik (770).

Good prizes for heaviest fish weighed in at DAN'S SERVICE STATION, McBride and Third Avenue, between above dates. Derby open to juniors, with special prizes.

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- Royal Reserve
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SPORT NEWS PICTURE—This photo, taken by David Bier, of the Montreal Herald, is chosen the best sport news photograph of 1951 in the third annual National Newspaper Awards. Rocky Graziano is standing over Montreal Johnny Greco whom he has floored with a right to the jaw. Bier's lens caught and highlighted the concentrated fury in Graziano's face. (CP PHOTO)

## National Hockey League Champions

- Toronto Arenas
- Montreal Canadiens
- Ottawa Senators
- Toronto St. Patricks
- Ottawa Senators
- Montreal Canadiens
- Montreal Canadiens
- Montreal Maroons
- Ottawa Senators
- New York Rangers
- Boston Bruins
- Boston Bruins
- Montreal Canadiens
- New York Rangers
- Toronto Maple Leafs
- Detroit Red Wings
- Toronto Maple Leafs
- Detroit Red Wings
- Toronto Maple Leafs
- Boston Bruins
- Boston Bruins
- New York Rangers
- Detroit Red Wings
- Montreal Canadiens
- Montreal Canadiens
- Montreal Canadiens
- Montreal Canadiens
- Toronto Maple Leafs
- Detroit Red Wings
- Detroit Red Wings
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## Winners of Stanley Cup

- Montreal A.A.A.
- Montreal A.A.A.
- Montreal Victorias
- Winnipeg Victorias
- Montreal Victorias
- Montreal Victorias
- Montreal Victorias
- Winnipeg Victorias
- Winnipeg Victorias
- Montreal A.A.A.
- Ottawa Silver Seven
- Ottawa Silver Seven
- Montreal Wanderers
- Montreal Wanderers
- Montreal Wanderers
- Ottawa Senators
- Montreal Wanderers
- Ottawa Senators
- Quebec Bulldogs
- Quebec Bulldogs
- Toronto
- Vancouver Millionaires
- Montreal Canadiens
- Seattle Metropolitans
- Toronto Arenas
- No Winner
- Ottawa Senators
- Ottawa Senators
- Toronto St. Patricks
- Ottawa Senators
- Montreal Canadiens
- Victoria Cougars
- Montreal Maroons
- Ottawa Senators
- New York Rangers
- Boston Bruins
- Montreal Canadiens
- Montreal Canadiens
- Toronto Maple Leafs
- New York Rangers
- Chicago Black Hawks
- Montreal Maroons
- Detroit Red Wings
- Detroit Red Wings
- Chicago Black Hawks
- Boston Bruins
- New York Rangers
- Boston Bruins
- Toronto Maple Leafs
- Detroit Red Wings
- Montreal Canadiens
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Final series between Montreal Canadiens and Seattle Metropolitans ended by influenza epidemic.