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## Joe Louis to Attend Sports Celebrity Dinner

TORONTO (CP)—Joe Louis, whose lethal fists made him heavyweight boxing champion of the world for close to 12 years, heads a list of noted athletic figures to attend the March 5 sports celebrity dinner of the Ontario Sports Writers and Sports-casters Association.

The association announced today that Louis will be a guest, coupling this with the news that the \$25-a-plate dinner is a sell-out. Close to 600 persons have bought tickets for the affair which serves the double purpose of promoting the country-wide sale of Easter seals and raising money for the Ontario Society for Crippled Children. All proceeds go to the society, which received \$10,820 from the first dinner a year ago.

**Reg Stone  
Again Seeks  
Curling Title**

VANCOUVER (CP)—Reg (Stogie) Stone, the British Columbia curling master from Trail, enters his third Dominion final March 2 in Sudbury.

He's a four-time British Columbia champion, but the Dominion curling playoffs were a war casualty in 1945 when he won his first provincial championship.

An expert at the chip-and-lie style in preference to the more orthodox draw and knockout styles of play, Stone has been in the money in both finals.

He was runner-up to Jimmy Watson's champion Winnipeg rink in the 1949 final in Hamilton and tied for third in the classic at Winnipeg last year.

Cigar-smoking Stone is a "slider," delivering his rocks from the back with a sweeping, ice-skimming slide. He rides out on the toe of his right foot, right arm stretched in front, left arm stretched behind with the broom, and cigar almost touching the ice.

Skip Stone began his curling career in 1941 in Trail.

Younger brother Roy, at third, is the sole remaining member of the first champion Stone rink. Other members are Douglas (Buzz) McGibney, second, and Hunt McKay, lead, youngest member of the rink at 28.

The Trail four swept undefeated through the "double-knock-out" provincial championships, led Reg drawing to the button with his last rock in the final game at Vernon for a narrow 8-7 win.

Others include Willie Hoppe, for years the world billiards king; Otto Graham, quarterback of the Cleveland Browns professional football team; Horton Smith of the United States Professional Golfers Association, and Marshall Cassidy, racing star on New York and Florida tracks.

The 39-year-old Louis, who ruled as heavyweight champion longer than any predecessor, is one of many big names.

The hockey contingent is incomplete, Ching Johnson, who starred on defence with New York Rangers, is one of five invited. Invitations went to Ching and the other surviving members of the Canadian Press NHL all-star team of 1931-32—defenceman Eddie Shore, right wing Bill Cook, left wing Busher Jackson and coach Lester Patrick. Patrick and Cook are unable to come and the others are undecided. Frank Nighbor, the centre-ice smoothie of the 1920s, is a possible guest.

The Canadian contingent includes two modern stars: George Genereux, Saskatoon trapshooting ace who was Canada's only gold medal winner at the 1952 Olympics; and Ernie Howard, Toronto bond salesman who won the U.S. squash championship last week-end.

Canadian football will be represented by Vince Mazza of the Hamilton Tiger-Cats, winner of the Jeff Russel Memorial Trophy as the most valuable player in the Big Four last season.

## Three Men Tie For Hidden Bowling Score

C. Erickson of Sedgwick led the men's 5-pin bowlers this week in both high score divisions, rolling 321 for a single game and adding up an 801 triple cut.

There were four bowlers to hit the hidden score mark of 183—Bill Shearer of Family Market, Wilkinson and Watson Islanders, Dyke McMillan of the Moose and Ian Dunbar of Mansons.

Team high single and high three was captured by Industrials with scores of 1,204 and 3,281.

All team captains of the men's five-pin league are called to attend a meeting at 8:45 p.m. next Monday at the alleys to decide how the playoffs will be conducted.

Results — Family Market 3, Firemen 1; Watson Islanders 0, JCs 4; Moose 1, Industrials 3; CGE 1, 70 Taxi 3; CNRA 0, Sedgwick 4; Savoy Hotel 4, Nelson Bros. 0; Watts & Nickerson 4, Kalen Indust. 0; Cooks Jewellers 3, Woodbutchers 1; Mansons 4, Electrolux 0.

Highest of the world's active volcanoes is Llullaillaco in Chile, towering 20,244 feet.



## Percy Bassett Wins Paris Bout

PARIS (AP)—Percy Bassett of Philadelphia scored a technical knockout over Auguste Caulet of France in the fifth round of their scheduled 10-round bout at the Palais des Sports.

Bassett weighed 130½ and Caulet, former French lightweight champion, weighed 135½. Bassett won the world interim featherweight championship here two weeks ago.

AB GOWANLOCK, veteran of thousands of ice competitions, will lead his Dauphin, Man., rink in the Dominion curling championships at Sudbury, Ont., next month. Gowanlock's rink won the provincial title in the knockout bonspiel at Winnipeg.

## Lach Leads Canadiens To 2-1 Win

By The Canadian Press  
Old-timer Elmer Lach flew like a rookie and scored what proved to be the winning goal as Montreal Canadiens defeated Toronto Maple Leafs 2-1 before a sellout crowd of 13,784 at Toronto Wednesday night.

The victory virtually gave the Canadiens second place in the race for the Stanley Cup playoff berth.

It left the sagging Leafs in third place, a scant one point up on Boston Bruins.

The Bruin cause, meanwhile, wasn't helped a bit as the last-place New York Rangers edged Boston 2-1 at Madison Square Garden.

Lach scored his goal at 9:04 of the first period to give the Canadiens a 2-0 lead that stood up for the rest of the night.

## Commission Probes Bout

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Police and the state boxing commission have launched investigations of heavyweight boxer Dale Hall's claims that he lost a bout Saturday night because of a police beating three weeks before.

Hall, apparently on the road to victory in a match with Willie Beane, refused to continue in the eighth round. Referee Abe Roth awarded the fight to Beane via a technical knockout.

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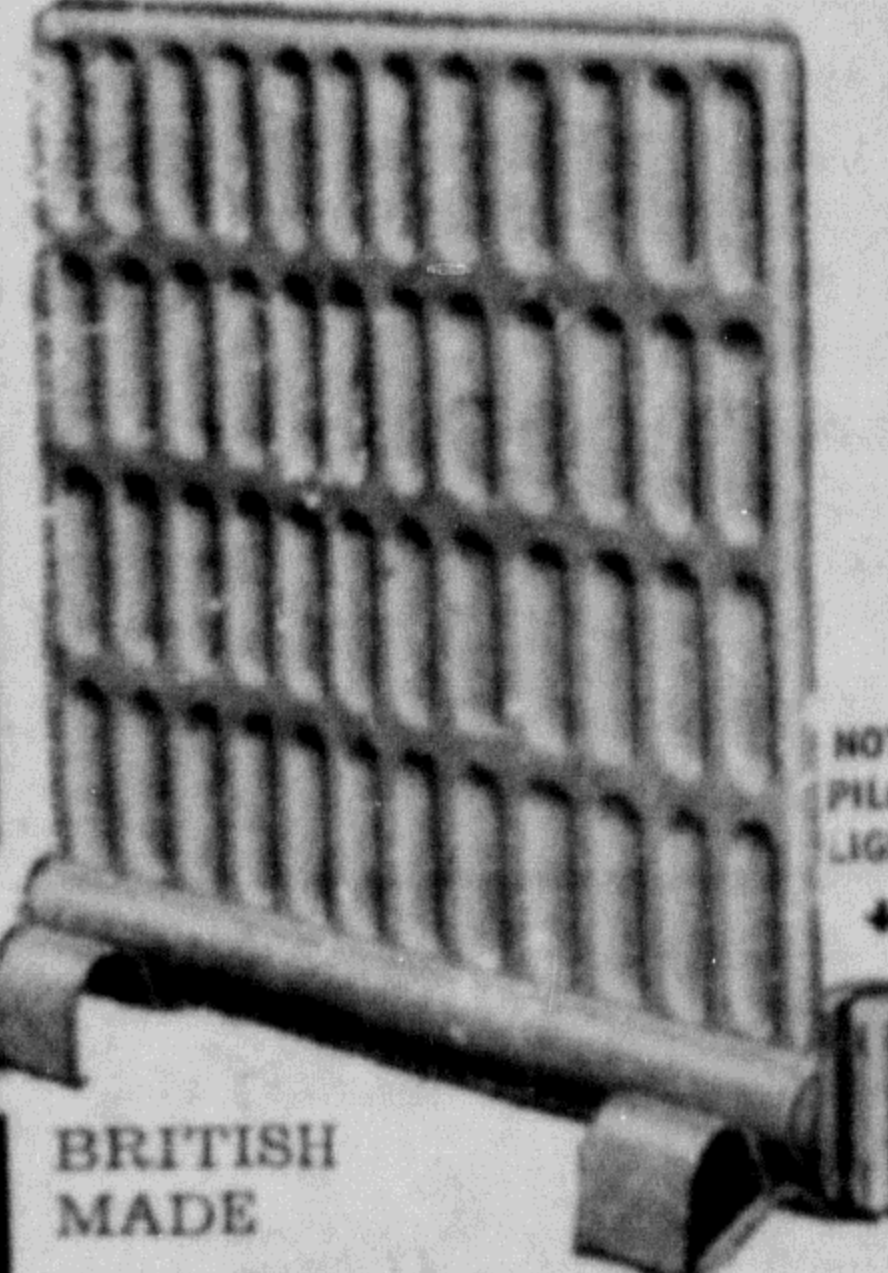
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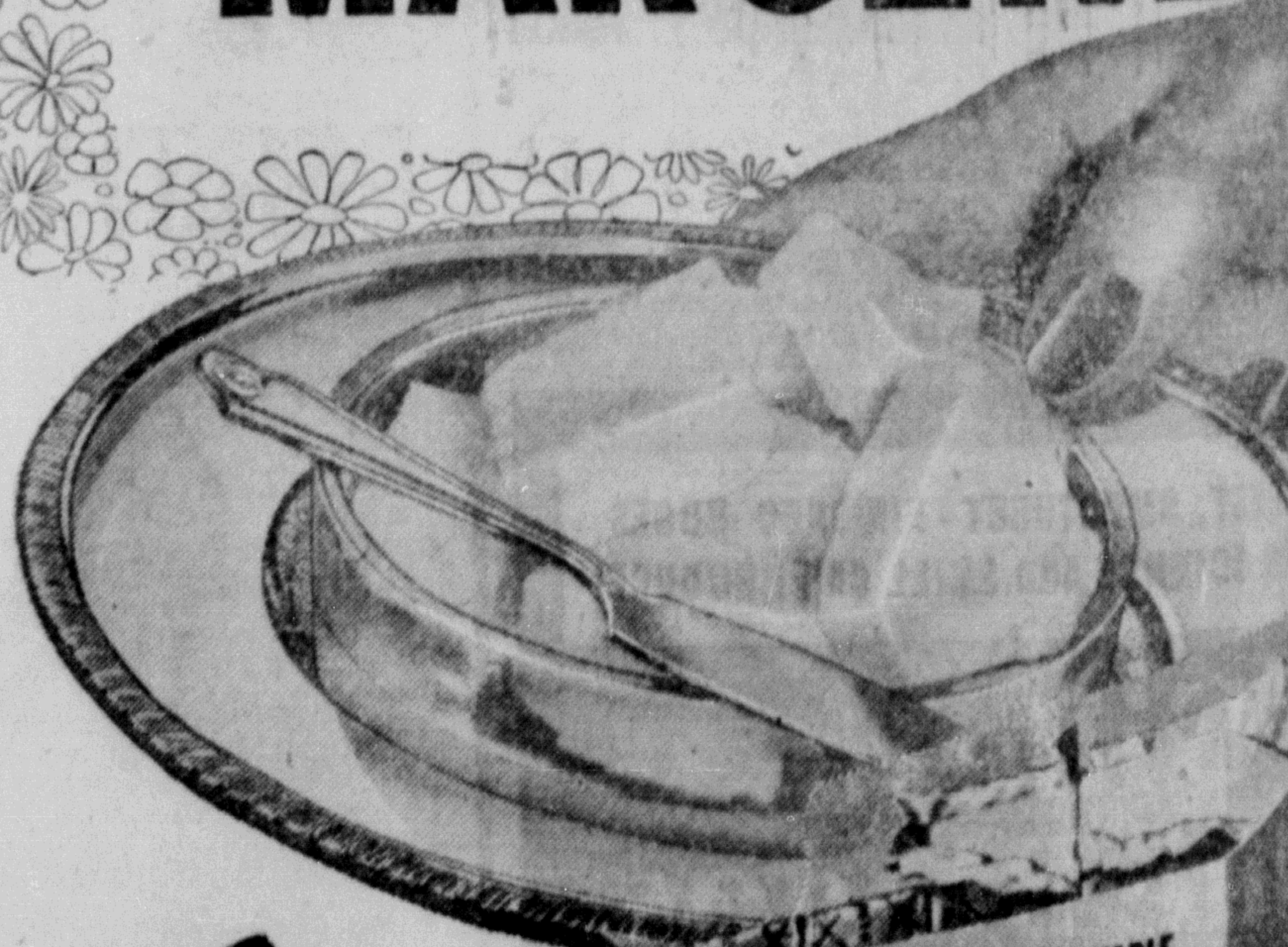
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