Hockey Lions Arrive Tomorrow, Put On Contest Friday

One of Canada's top hockey players, Jimmy Wilson, was in town today awaiting the arrival of Coach Charley Good and the remainder of his 14-man Washington Lions squad tomorrow.

The Lions were to end training in Toronto today and are to report here by noon tomorrow. They have scheduled workouts for Uline Arena ice tomorrow and Thursday and meet the Toronto Tip-Tops in an exhibition at Uline's Friday night.

Wilson, a veteran defenseman who has played hockey on the Pacific Coast for the past two seasons, formerly was a key man for the New York Rovers, and has skated for some of the better Canadian clubs. Wilson is confident that Eastern League hockey will be a big hit in Washington.

Players accompanyng Good here tomorrow include: Bruce Strongman, Sam Kelly, Alan Percival, Gordon Mirtle, Jack McIntire, Clare Walshe, George Kelly, Hal Montgomery and Bill Chris, forwards; Al Smith, Harold Johnson and Gordon McLeod, defensemen, and Mel Carey, goalie.

Tickets for Friday hight's meeting of the Lions and Tip-Tops are on sale at Uline Arena and the Fairway Sporting Goods Co.

Oliver Backed to Tackle Louis In Champ's Exhibition Here

"What local boxer will go in against Joe Louis in that three-round exhibition at Uline Arena the night of November 13?"

That was the question going the rounds of District fight fans today following Promoter Goldie Ahearn's announcement that the world heavyweight champion, just back from six months overseas, would include Washington on his barnstorming tour of major cities during furlough.

Ahearn today said he had not decided on an oponent for the champ, while an Associated Press story from New York named Jimmy Bell as the candidate.

The Brown Bomber has advised promoters in the cities on his tour to provide rugged youngsters that will make him step and has indicated that he wants to start warming up for postwar activities that would include a bout with Billy Conn.

According to a consensus of local fans, there's only one local heavyweight who could give Louis that kind of a workout, and that's Dixie Lee Oliver, the new big hit of the indoor season. Dixie has put on exhibitions with some top-notchers, including Melio Bettina, and has shown that he can take care of himself and hand out plenty.

Another angle is that Oliver won't listen to orders about pulling punches when battling sacred cows, and he might give the fans their money's worth at Uline a week from Monday night.

Louis has been here but once in the past, when he made a successful defense of his championship against Buddy Baer at Griffith Stadium back in 1941. That bout drew a record-breaking crowd that paid a gross gate of $95,000.

Ahearn says that he will back up the champ's exhibition with an all-star boxing card and announced that the advance sale will open shortly.

Elkridge to Carry Top Weight In Gwathmey Memorial 'Chase

By the Associated Press.

Kent Miller's Elkridge has been assigned top weight of 164 pounds for next Monday's running of the 3-mile Temple Gwathmey Memorial Steeplechase at Belmont Park. M. A. Cushman's Rouge Dragon, expected to provide tough opposition, is in with 163 pounds. Ella Widener's Iron Shot is third topweight with 152.

Trainer Hirsch Jacobs saddled his 110th winner of the year yesterday when Tasajillo won the fourth at Jamaica.

Delaware Park has announced that an additional war relief contribution of $8,625, boosting the total 1944 war charity figure to $102,024.

Walter Gerlock, who lost his jockey apprentice allowance last Friday, won his first race as a full-fledged rider by booting Richmond home in the third at Jamaica yesterday at $15.20 for $2.

Winners of yesterday's featured races: At Jamaica—K. Dorko, $3, and Valdina Craft, $7.20. At Laurel—Up the Creek, $6.50. At Rockingham—Windmill, $3. At Churchill Downs—Zacapet, $15.60. At Sportsmans—Reaping Gold, $13.80.

Apprentice Jockey Evan Jenkins, leading rider at Rockingham, will leave this week for California.

Four horses fell in the Audubon purse at Churchill Downs yesterday, but none of the jockeys were seriously injured. Robins Crown fell and Mercury, Tipoo and Lady Discovery fell over him. Jockeys W. Morrisey, J. Higley and J. Cassity received minor cuts and bruises while S. Freeman was taken to a hospital for further examination. Freeman was up on Robins Crown.

J. Martin rode a triple at Rockingham yesterday; Aircraft, 9:80; Army Glider, $11.40, and Chance Sord, $15.

Trainer James Hastie has announced the Milbrook Stable will return to racing on Wednesday at Jamaica.

Capitols in Workout With Rider Tossers

Coach Pete Barry directs his Washington Capitols into their first workout tonight when the local American Professional Basket Ball League squad scrimmages with Roosevelt High School's Rough Riders in the Rough Riders' gym at 8.

Several players signed by Barry and others reporting on a trial basis will be present. Home talent also has been invited to try out.

Barry, formerly of the original New York Celtics, is determined to put a strong team into the 1944-45 contention and believes he will have rounded out a formidable squad when the Caps play host to the New York Jewels in an exhibition at Uline Arena on Saturday night, November 11.

Pimlico Entries

FOR TOMORROW.
Clear and Fast.

FIRST RACE—Purse, $2,000; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; 1⅛ miles.
War Shy 113 xCash O Boy 111
Omada 113 xAlca-Gal 114
Ylee Bar 116 Alfhangrier 116
Golden Mowlee 116 Anzac 116
Misty Lady 113 Also eligible:
Saros 116 xResidue 117
Top Sergeant 122 xSingle 111
Agrarist 111 Winged Phariah 116

SECOND RACE—Purse, $1,700; maiden 2-year-olds; 1 mile and 70 yards.
xColonel John 113 a Sir Jinx 118
Jetsam 118 Omashane 115
Saving 115 xPine Lake 110
Golden Beach 118 Also eligible:
Display Flight 115 Temeru 118
a Bright Min'ka 115 Gay Larkmeade 115
Black Knight 118 Ponamau 115
Proud Pappy 118 xEva's Memory 113
xTragedienne 110
a Hockley and Moore entry.

THIRD RACE—Purse, $2,500; steeplechase; 3-year-olds and up; 2 miles.
War Battle 135 Floating Isle 147
Kennebunk 153 High Tint 137
xxRefugio 146 Beneksar 144
Spurious Count 140 Rover Boy 144
Nordmeer 150

FOURTH RACE—Purse, $2,500; 2-year-olds; claiming; 6 furlongs.
Bride's Biscuit 108 xEratio 109
a xGold Boy 117 Mister Chat 115
xGallantry 108 a Beau's Nurse 110
Country Lad 108 Flight Nurse 108
Piquant 110 Also eligible:
Sheltie 117 Wayne County 112
Hammer Lock 115 xJohn Q Public 113
Bit Gay 112 xPatty Knot 109
a O'Conner and North entry.

FIFTH RACE—Purse, $10,000 added; the Grayson; 3-year-olds and up; 1½ miles.
Astral 116 Lord Calvert 122
Bell-The-Cat 110 Harford 116
Aera 110 Moon Maiden 113
Hi Neighbor 113 High Command 116

SIXTH RACE—Purse, $3,000; 4-year-olds and up; 6 furlongs.
xFlying Tartar 105 Spare Man 116
Hasteville 116 Hornbeam 119
xWise Advice 117 Sophocles 116
New Moon 122

SEVENTH RACE—Purse, $25,000; the Pimlico Special; all ages; 1⅛ miles.
Megogo 120 Twilight Tear 117
Devil Diver 126

EIGHTH RACE—Purse, $2,500; 4-year-olds and up; 1⅛ miles.
xWise Timmie 113 xSaboteur 117
xRelious 113 a Take Courage 115
Tamil 118 xHe Rolls 121
xBe Brief 121 a Cal's Pet 120
a Bomar Stable entry.
xApprentice allowance.
xx7 pounds allowed.
Post time, 12:30 p.m.

Sports Mirror

By the Associated Press.

Today a year ago—Green Bay Packers smothered New York Giants, 35-7, in National League football game.

Three years ago—Crowd of 20,551 saw Ray Robinson, 139¼, outpoint Fritzie Zivic, 145¾, in 10 rounds at Madison Squar Garden for his 26th straight triumph.

Five years ago—Tennessee led Associated Press football poll by 115 points over Michigan.

Ten years ago—Time Supply won $25,000 stake event at Pawtucket.

After Dark

News and Comment of the Night Clubs.

Trade Mark Registered U. S. Patent Office.

Well, there you are ladies, never say the Spectator hasn't done you a favor. We went to great length, the length of 60 minutes at least, to settle the question once and for all—"Do Gentlemen Prefer Blonds?"—particularly Latin gentlemen. Since he is from Central America, we figured the Treasure Island's Mario Hurtabo should be well informed on the subject.

Speaking for Latin men, Mario places his vote for blond members of the fair sex.

But the Spectator wasn't going to let him get off that easy. Mario has seen blonds in practically every country in the world and certainly he must have a preference even among blonds!

Here are the results: Most beautiful women (Viennese); best dressed women (American); most practical women (English); healthiest women (Dutch); most romantic women (Latin); most unpredictable (Irish).

"What about the Parisian women?" we asked.

That stopped Mario for a moment. "I don't know how to say it, I guess; they're the most tempting women," he said.

By the way, Mario was married three times, once to a Danish-American, once to an Irish-American and once to an Italian-American. Is he going to marry again?

"I hope not," Mario said.

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There was real tragedy at the Lotus the other evening. Right in the middle of Magician Bobby Parker's rabbit act his assistant rushed out and whispered something to Bobby.

The rabbit was dead!

"We had been nursing him for a cold for several days, but had no idea anything like that would happen," the magician said.

Needless to say, Bobby couldn't perform the rabbit trick. "Even my magic wouldn't bring him back to life," Bobby said, "and I realized that between shows I had to find myself a trained rabbit somewhere."

Now there's a problem. Where would one go looking for a trained rabbit in Washington?

"Frankly, I was stumped until I remembered that Blackstone used rabbits in his act. I rushed over to the Capitol Theater and explained my plight, and do you know he pulled a rabbit for me right out of thin air. Believe me, I never enjoyed a trick so much in my life."

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Whether he does it with the "slick-hand-is-quicker-than-the-eye" method, or by deft management of his glib gift of buffoonery, Russell Swann is bringing patrons back for more of his horse play at the Statler. Nobody seems to care whether Mr. Swann's tricks work or not; in fact, he's funnier when they don't.

Mr. S. explained his choice of profession to a gathering of the press thus:

"You have to be a magician to make any money these days."

Of all things to tell the press! And Swann's a Harvard man, too.

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Strange noises were heard coming from the vicinity of the Trade Winds basement the other day. The Spectator decided to have a look. The culprit turned out to be James Patrick Byrnes, who appeared at the bottom of the stairs holding a strange-looking object under his arm. Jimmy explained that the bit of apparatus was known as a dancing mat. Naturally, by this time we had concluded that the noise was Jimmy practicing that tricky tap routine of his.

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Eddie Jones, pianist at the Cafe Caprice, says he is not camera shy. The answer is simple. The only thing that's ever photographed are Eddie's hands and these are shot from all angles. Manager Merrick of the Roger Smith explains there's method behind the madness as he plans to use the shots in identifying the room with the hands. Having heard Eddie, we would say it's not a bad idea. . . . Recently renamed by her friends, "Little French Surrey With the Fringe on Top," Irene (Bangs) Bordoni comes into the Del Rio Friday night. Cross and Dunn close their engagement Thursday.

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We understand there are two beautiful redheads from Oklahoma, namely, the Terry Sisters, coming in to open the new Trade Winds show tomorrow night. . . . Hooray for Bob Brewer! Tunes come and go, but before the evening's over Bob eventually reverts to either Kern or Gershwin. . . . From amateur to professional is Gaylu Ingram, who won a Stardust Night contest at the 400 not so long ago. The professional touch came when Sasha Lucas got ahold of her for the New Orleans. . . . Take a good look at the bartender in Costins next time you're there. If the face is familiar, we're willing to give you a clue. He's Tackline, one of the original Dickerman pirates from the one-time Pirate's Den in Georgetown. Memories of the Pirate's Den!

EASY DOES IT—At least where Russell Swann is concerned. With no effort whatsoever he hypnotizes rabbits, talks to snakes, and figuratively beheads Embassy Room patrons.