



SPORTING NEWS

R. C. A. F. Sergeants And Corporals Are Winners In Doubleheader Softball Bill

Getting away from the local sports angle over the week-end—only occurrence being the double-header softball bill staged yesterday afternoon—many who are interested in the Major Leagues will probably like to hear the opinion expressed by a prominent Montreal writer over the respective merits of former Big League hurlers:

In his widely read column in the Montreal Daily Star Baz O'Meara says the following re both baseball and hockey stars who have since retired on their laurels.

Says Baz: "Roger Bresnahan, the Duke of bases they used to call him, didn't think there ever was a pitcher like him. Six Matthews, no doubt, was the best pitcher I ever saw. He was one of the main reasons for the success of the Montreal Expos. Others were equally impressive."

Mathewson, in the thick of a penant fight, retired. Clarke, Leach and Killy Brimfield of Piratas were three men on in the bunch. There were none out at the time. Which shows Matty must have been a very busy man under fire.

There will always be disputes about who was the greatest of all time pitchers in baseball, just like the greats of any other game.

Suffice it to say that Mathewson pitched 56 games in 1908 and won 27 of them. He must have had wonderful control, because in that year he went 63 games without giving a base on balls.

Along with George Cleveland Alexander, he holds the record of having won 373 games. Now there are some who will claim that Walter Johnson or Lefty Grove was greater. Others maintain that Brown, who bested Mathewson the most, was a better pitcher.

There are moderns who think that Bob Feller was as great as any of these pitchers. It is all a matter of opinion. You seldom get any old timers to admit there are players ahead in any game today who can match up with the old timers.

One of the simple notable exceptions in this regard is Alf Smith, of the old Ottawa Silver Seven hockey squad, who thinks that Mike Schmidt was as great a player as he ever saw in action. In fact, he liked him to Frank McJer, which is praise indeed. There are no doubt some old-time ball players too, who think that some of the ball players in action before the war were as good as any that ever trod the diamond.

There were always those who belittled Ruth in his time, even some who derided Cobb and sneered when he was listed better than Espinoza, Frensch or Delahanty. It will always be argued as to whether there will always be arguments of the respective merits of great players.

It was just 25 years ago July 4th, that Jack Dempsey became the heavyweight champion of the world by flattening Jess Willard under a blazing Toledo sun on July 2, 1919. Dempsey met Georges Carpentier at Boyle's Thirty Acres, in what was the last of the big outdoor boxing extravaganzas and which was the first million-dollar fight ago.

After that, Rickard staged all his big attractions at night, including the Dempsey-Tunney battles at Philadelphia and Chicago, previous to which the Hippo bout attracted a set of better than a million under the lights at New York. Fought to the death of the late Tex Rickard and Dempsey, nearly all the big title fights were staged in daylight, but the promoters or principals did not reap the golden harvest that the big bouts of today attract.

Henry Armstrong, one of the prizefighter's most enduring institutions, proved signs of wearing out recently in losing a slow fight to John Thomas, 10 years younger and a pound lighter.

RCAP Officers' team, current leaders of the City Softball League yesterday increased their lead at the top of the league standings when they beat the RCAP Sergeants in the second game of a twin bill staged at the Victoria Park diamond. In the opening game of the afternoon's program the Airforce chalked up another victory as they downed the Navy squad 11-5 with 6 errors on the part of the tars accounting for several of their opponents' runs.

Counting all their runs in the first two frames with a single in the first inning and four in the second Navy held grimly onto a 4-2 lead entering the sixth inning but were disaster overtaken them. Corporals on the strength of three hits, one of them a homer and two costly errors piled five runs across the plate and then added four more in the seventh to win by the above mentioned score.

Gibney and Blondin of the Corporals both came through with home runs in the latter stages of the game with Trainer of the Navy accounting for a two base wallop in the third. St. John, left fielder of the losers got the only extra base blow for his team when he hit a ringing double in the second to start off his team's four run surge.

Held scoreless for the first five innings of the game, while their opponents were piling up a 10-0 lead, RCAP Officers went further out in front in the league standing in the second game as they repelled a belated Sergeants' attack to win 10-4. Right in the first innings Blondin, on loan to the Officers team started his mates off on the right foot when coming to bat for the first time, with the bases loaded he punched out a triple to clean the sacks. Sergeants were not recovered before the side had been retired the winners had punched over three more additional runs for a 6-0 lead.

Officers added a single counter in the second and three more in the fifth before Sergeants pushed over three in the sixth and one in the seventh to complete the scoring of the game.

Besides Blondin's three base wallop Kilmovitch accounted for a double in the officer's case while the Sergeants were being limited to five safe blows all through the tussle.

The former triple champion, who had 129 3-4's shuffled in and out for 10 rounds and won only two. He split another and Referee Regny Gilmore awarded the unanimous decision to the other fighter on his more frequent solid blows. Armstrong got a split verdict in their last meeting.

A different man from the one who belted Bummy Davis around in Madison Square Garden a while back, Armstrong was unable to out Thomas in trouble at any stage of the fight. There were no knock-downs, no clinches, and although Armstrong and Thomas both found themselves unopposed the ropes occasionally, it was just for convenience.

A training camp injury received several years ago has put an end to Max Baer's fighting career.

The former world heavyweight champion, now a staff sergeant with the United States Army, said yesterday his left arm is beginning to "dry up and lose its effectiveness" and that he has no idea of ever fighting again.

The injury occurred when he was struck on the top of the head by an 85 pound mauling bag while training for his fight against Max Schmeling and aggravated it when Thomas, 10 years younger and a pound lighter.

Vallcourt, 1b	4	0	1	0	0
St. John, rf	3	1	1	0	1
Clarke, 2b	3	1	1	1	2
McRae, p	3	0	0	0	1
Goodall, rf	2	0	0	0	0
Totals	32	5	9	18	8

2nd Game					
AB	R	H	P	O	E
Belanger, ss	2	1	1	0	0
Bain, lf	2	1	1	0	0
Gowanlock, 2b	4	0	2	2	0
Doyles, 1b	4	1	5	0	2
Thompson, cf	4	0	0	0	1
Sauroli, 3b	3	1	1	3	2
Hill, ss	3	1	0	1	0
Tullon, ss	3	0	0	1	0
Rawlins, rf	3	0	0	0	0
Henderson, p	3	0	0	0	1
Totals	28	4	5	21	4

Officers					
AB	R	H	P	O	E
Roaman, c	4	1	0	9	1
Kilmovitch, 1b	4	2	1	1	1
Brown, p	4	2	2	1	0
Armor, 1b	4	0	1	6	0
Blondin, 2b	1	1	1	0	0
Loescher, cf	4	1	0	1	0
McDonald, 3b	3	1	1	0	0
Trainer, 1b	3	1	1	0	0
Mcgrath, rf	3	1	0	0	0
Totals	35	10	8	22	2

Sergeants					
AB	R	H	P	O	E
Belanger, ss	2	1	1	0	0
Bain, lf	2	1	1	0	0
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Umpires: At the plate, Mel Whitlock, bases, Kane and Lawlor. Umpires: At the plate, Lawlor, bases, Whitlock and Kane.

Baseball Results

AMERICAN
Detroit 6; New York 2.
Cleveland 7; Boston 1.
Chicago 1; Philadelphia 3.
St. Louis 5; Washington 4.

NATIONAL
Boston 0; St. Louis 9.
Cincinnati 2; Philadelphia 3.
Brooklyn 5; Pittsburgh 8.
New York 6; Chicago 3.

INTERNATIONAL
Baltimore 3; Newark 4.
Detroit 3; Washington 0.
Montreal 4; Toronto 5.

SUNDAY
NATIONAL
Brooklyn 7; Pittsburgh 10.
Boston 0; St. Louis 9.
Philadelphia 5; Cincinnati 9.
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New York 2; Chicago 6.
New York 0; Chicago 1.

AMERICAN
St. Louis 10; Washington 0.
Toronto 1; Montreal 3.
Cleveland 8; Boston 1.
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Detroit 3; New York 4.
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Chicago 4; Philadelphia 3.
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INTERNATIONAL
Toronto 4; Montreal 0.
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Syracuse 1; Newark 10.
Syracuse 9; Newark 3.
Fallmore 3; Jersey City 9.
Buffalo 1; Rochester 22.

Remember When
By The Canadian Press
Leath-lunged Joe Humphreys, dean of sports announcers, died at his Fairhaven, N. J., home eight years ago today. The 65-year-old Humphreys introduced most of the world's greatest fighters during his 40 years on the job.

GODBOUT OPENS—

(Continued from page 1.)
The Premier then made his statement about farmers' sons now in the army, whether territorial or active, who will be released if they prove they are needed on the land.

"If there is in the province one farmer's son, an employee on the farm, who did not comply with wartime (military) regulations, I ask him to do it at once and he will be excused."

"Sweeping Exemptions Promised"
Quebec's farmers' sons, whether they are in the army now, or if they do not comply with military service regulations or even they are considered deserters, will be exempted if any military service or will be released from the army if they are given a certificate by their mayors and agronomists proving that they are needed on farms.

"There will be a small punishment course, for not having obeyed orders, but who has never been punished for not having complied with the law? You know that I always think of what I say before making a promise and I may assure you that once again I thought of what I just said and, if I said it, it is because it is true."

MONTREAL, July 9 — (CP) — Headquarters of the Progressive Conservative Party announced over the week-end it would not participate in the campaign leading to the Quebec provincial elections, Aug. 8.

A brief statement said: "The party of John Bracken has broadcast in the province of Quebec now for the past nine months and during this time has dealt only with federal matters. It is felt that, especially at this time with a provincial election in the offing, it would be a mistake to stray from this policy."

ALGIERS, July 7 — (CP) — Col. Egbert White has been relieved of his command as director of Mediterranean area editions of the Stars and Stripes, and been ordered to the United States because of differences with higher officials over political censorship, it was learned reliably today.

The energy of 1 1/2 ounces of coal will pull one ton of freight

Arcaero Brings Stir Up Home In Front

NEW YORK, July 9 — (AP) — Stir up, racing over his favorite track, Saturday won the \$50,000 Empire City at Jamaica, running the mile and three-sixteenths in track record equalling time of 1:56 1/5.

Eddie Arcaero brought the three-year-old gelding from Mrs. Payne Whitney's Greentree stable home with a half-length to spare over Alfred D. Widener's Lucky Draw. George P. Parker's By Jimmy was third.

Hitrights Lose To Tigers

What had all the earmarks of being the smartest softball game in the Knight of Columbus schedule between the Hitrights and Tigers blew to pieces in the eighth and ninth innings when the Tigers pushed twelve runs across the plate to make doubly sure of victory, the final score was 19-7.

The highlight of the game was the running catch by Pineau of Hennessy's long foul to right.

The line up:
Tigers—Campbell, Doyle, Conolly, Hennessy, Butler, MacDonald, Whalen, Goodwin, Shepherd.
Hitrights—Murphy, Johnston, W. McGuigan, G. MacDonald, Callaghan, Trainor, McCarville, O'Shea, Pineau.

Junior Game Stopped
Saturday the Juniors did not finish owing to the heat and the game will be played this morning at 9:30.

This evening at 6:30 the Aces and Wings meet in a regular senior fixture.

Tennis
On Saturday afternoon the Juniors held sway in tennis competition and some nice games were played under the direction of Prof. Barlow. These games were to prime the players for the tournament that will commence in August.

Meeting Of Horsemen

A meeting of horsemen will be held Tuesday night at 8:30 at Hugh Wood's barn, 1000 St. Lawrence street, in and positions drawn for the Montague races on Wednesday. Officials were asked to be on hand.

Nazi Retreat In Russia Is Continuing

LONDON, July 9 — (AP) — The Red Army today captured Lada, railway junction 50 miles south of doomed Wilno, and took more than 1,200 other towns on the central front as the Germans fell back in disorder across pre-war Poland and Lithuania in a military collapse that was growing more disastrous by the hour.

The last Baltic front, comparatively quiet in recent days, flamed back into action with Russian advances which a Soviet communique said took more than 700 towns north of Wilno, including Bruslav, 25 miles southeast of Dauyavilis (Dvinsk), Druva, on the pre-war Polish-Latvian border, and to railway junction of Lontupy, between Daugavpils and Wilno.

Que. Forest Fire Situation Improves

VAL D'OR, QUE., July 9 — (CP) — Forest fires, which have swept the northern Quebec and Maine belt during the past three days, tonight appeared to be dying down at all threatened points.

Gatineau, 29 miles west of here, which last night, was menaced with the fate of Passaic, 16 miles north-east of here, wiped out by fire Friday night, tonight was said to be "out of danger, and 400 women and children evacuated. Friday night are returning from Rouyn.

HANDICAP OVERCOME
Beethoven, the great musical composer, showed signs of deafness at 28.

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Tough Enemy Defences Buckled Before Caen

By CHARLES LYNCH
(Reuter War Correspondent)
BEFORE CAEN, Saturday Noon, July 8 — (CP) — Reuter — From the edge of wheatfields through which the original attack was made before dawn today I saw British and Canadian troops smash through the perimeter of the Caen defences and push on in bitter fighting towards the town itself.

The defences, which are regarded as the toughest confronting the Allies in any beachhead sector, buckled before the heavy Allied artillery fire, devastating attacks by rocket-firing fighter planes, and the machine-guns, rifles and courage of the infantry.

Instead of using their artillery as formerly in a saturation barrage the British and Canadian guns worked on specified targets and pulverized them.

The first shells landed so close ahead that we thought at first they were German. They were whistling low over our position but so concentrated was the barrage that we could only hear the whine for an occasional split second between the constant crash of guns.

The infantry moved out across a field immediately following the start of the barrage and the tanks went with them. Through the thick went we could see only the shoulders and heads of men and the tanks' turrets as they moved across.

The Germans from positions in the field opened up machine-gun fire and stray bullets went over our heads.

The chatter of the machine guns was deafening as Allied troops reached a village and passed through it. The Germans had several strongpoints in the village which was by-passed as our troops secured vital points and pressed on to Saint Contest.

By first light, rocket-fighters swept in and with terrifying screams dived at German positions and released their rockets, which sounded like a locomotive blowing off steam as with a red flash they

left the planes and streaked into the German positions, where they exploded with a roar.

From another passing tank we learned that the Luftwaffe had been captured and heard on its wings "fanfany well on their way."

Just then, an hour after the first attack, German mortars opened up and kept a constant fire on our position for the next hour and a half while we huddled in a split trench dug by Canadians the previous night while waiting to attack.

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Out Our Way
By J. R. Williams Our Boarding House With Major Hoople

WHERE YOU GOIN' YOUVE GOT MORE ON THAT TABLE CLOTH THAN YOU HAVE ON THAT PAPER!
WELL, AT'S TH' WAY IT'LL BE WHEN TH' ARMY OF OCCUPATION GOES TO OCCUPY'N' THERE WONT' BE MANY OF US LEFT AT HOME!

BRINGING UP FATHER
By George McManus

MAGGIE-IM GLAD YOU LIKE THE IDEA OF US TAKING WARREN SOCKS' DAUGHTER BOBBIE IN-TO OUR HOME WHILE HE IS OVERSEAS WITH THE ARMY!
IT'S THE LEAST WE CAN DO--THERE'S SO MUCH TO BE DONE IN THIS WAR!
SHE'S A FINE GIRL!
-AND FOR A CHANGE IT WILL BE NICE TO HAVE SOMEONE WHO IS YOUNG AROUND THE HOUSE!
I DONT SAY YOU WAS OLD MAGGIE!

TIPPY AND "CAP" STUBBS
By Edwina

HELP YOURSELVES, BOYS--
AN' WHEN YOU COME BACK TOMORROW, BRING THIS LOT OF SLOCES--THERE'S TH' MONEY--
HURRY UP--SUPPER'S READY!
OH, I'M NOT VERY HUNGRY.
YOU'RE NOT MY LAND! YOU HAVEN'T HAD ANY APPETITE FOR A WEEK!
WHAT'S TH' MATTER?
NUTHIN'!

TILLIE THE TOILER—FACT KNOCKS OUT FANCY!
By Webster

WHY I CANT BE FAR FROM THAT MAGIC STONE!
THE ANCIENT LEGEND ABOUT THAT STONE SEEMS TO BE TRUE
WHAT ANCIENT LEGEND?
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