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16 Teams To Operate In Three N. S. Senior Baseball Leagues

By WYN RHYDVEN
HALIFAX, May 4 — (CP) — Opening of the Nova Scotia senior baseball season is only 16 days away and the only certain thing about it so far is that 16 teams will operate in three leagues.

Almost certain is the fact that, weather permitting, many of the teams will pry the lid off on May 12.

But far from certain is the make-up of the clubs in the three leagues — the six-team Halifax and District League, the Cape Breton Colliery League, and the Central League.

Few of the clubs have more than the nucleus of their teams collected — and these are mainly home-brews who turn up year after year. The rest of the players will come from New England with the odd one from New Brunswick, Quebec and Ontario.

With this in mind a flock of agents from the clubs are scouring Boston and district in search for college team talent desirous of earning from \$35 to \$50 a week during their summer vacation period.

Baseball was a flourishing sport in fact the Province supported a professional league — in Nova Scotia in bygone days. Then came a depression in the sport. Eventually it was revived and with the years as big names in the game — such as Philadelphia Athletics' Phil Marchildon — stopped over in the Maritimes as members of the services on their way overseas.

New Peak Last Year
Last year it reached a new peak as the H-D League went into the import business in a big way. This year — expanding from a four-to-six-team loop — the League is out to retain the supremacy it proved last year. That it has paid off was shown by the fact that in one four-game play-off series last fall 23,000 persons paid their way into the beautiful Redlands Park here.

With Maritime champion Arrows shifting to Dartmouth, the League accepted a new entry from Halifax, the Capitals. Arrows and Capitals split their standbys and it is around these that this year's teams will be built. Halifax Shipyards — regarded by many as the team to beat this year — Middleton Cardinals, Liverpool Larriers and Kentville Wildcats make up the balance of the League.

The Central League will have Springfield Fencebusters, Truro Bearcats, Westville and Stellarton. The Colliery League has Reserve Hawks, New Waterford, Sydney Steel Company, Whitney Pier, Sydney Mines Ramblers and Glace Bay.

Only Larriers and Fencebusters — traditional homes of good Maritime ball players — will rely mostly on home-brews although the Colliery League has a four-import limit.

Imports Bring Color
Aside from the fact that apparently there are not enough high-calibre ball players in Nova Scotia to go around, there is little to choose in ability between the locals and the imports. However the imports do seem to bring an aura of color which — except for a few like plodding "Lefty" Neil Staples — the home-brews seem to lack.

For some reason it also seems that pitchers are most sought after among the imports. But this group that came in last year, probably only right-hander Steve Stuka really was a standout. One of the most publicized — and most contentious — was lanky Bucky Tanner with Cardinals. Major league prospect — six-foot, six-inches tall — he jumped to the ill-famed Mexican League and then repented to play in Nova Scotia. But he was singularly ineffective against the Arrows who, in Bucky's first appear-

19-Year-old Wins Race In Grand Circuit

ARCADIA, Calif., May 4 — (AP) — The youngest driver on the Grand Circuit, 19-year-old Lynn Traveller, drove his first winner today. He got up in the stretch with Gay Paula to beat by two lengths the even money favorite, Jimmiekin, in the 1-16-mile trot.

Gale Patch finished third. **First Race—Purse \$1,000, Trot, Class 25, California breeds, one mile.**
Miss Highworthy (P. Spears)
Dina Patch (R. Ayou)
Maria Axworthy (C. Short)
Time 2:06 1-5.

Also raced: D-Waruna F. Boh-bie Bunter, Trinket Patch, Miss Highway Guy.
D-finished third, disqualified and placed fifth.
Second Race—Purse \$1,000, Trot, Class 23, six furlongs.
Dean Jay (C. Witt)
Miss Pointer Guy (P. Celdeburg)
Elizabeth Long (O. Brown)
Time 1:34 4-5.

Also raced: Black Patchen, Princess Scotland, Kilroy, B29.
Third Race—Purse \$1,000, Pace, Class 23, conditioned one mile.
Mighty Song (S. Palin)
Edith Mc (G. Grippen)
Mary-Jo (D. Urban)
Time 2:06.

Also raced: Scotch Melody, Dewey McKay, Elizabeth Primrose, McKyle Ladd, Gratian Audubon.
Fourth Race—\$1,000, Pace, Class 19-A, one mile.
La Vitesses (N. Houslet)
Patricia Tass (R. Reeves)
Sunny Logan Woolen (Shelter)
Time 2:05 3-5.

Also raced: Coopersage, All American, Star Logan, Flaxey Pointer, Chief Billy Noble.
Fifth Race—Purse \$1,000, Pace, Class 17, one mile.
Swindle Sheet (C. Hansen)
Expendable (E. Pownall)
Whitney Bars (A. Niles)
Time 2:04 3-5.

Also raced: Eddie Josedale, March Heir, C. A. Harrison, Mr. Lacey, Rhonda Mae.
Sixth Race—One Mile Pace, Classified "D", purse \$1,000.
Stewart Direct (C. Hodgins)
Buddy Patchen (F. Funderburk)
Walnut Lane (F. Parks)
Time 2:03 2-5.

Also raced: Chief Direct, Hester Hanover, Justice Dillon, Maxey Woolen.
Seventh Race—1-16 Miles Trot, Classified 15, Purse \$2,500.
Guy Paula (L. Travellers)
Jimmiekin (J. Cruise)
Gale Patch (R. Ayou)
Time 2:12.

Also raced: Dean Scott, Allen Spencer, Errol Hanover, Pastor Hanover.
Eighth Race—One Mile Trot, Classified "C", Purse \$1,000.
Morris Mite (R. Baldwin)
MacDuff (J. Cruise)
Scott's Guard (J. Rodman)
Time 2:04.

Also raced: Private Pat, Mr. Hanover, Second Front.
LONDON, May 4 — (CP) — In a decision that could have far-reaching effects, the King's Bench Divisional Court has ruled that anyone finding a lost golf ball on a golf course and keeping it is guilty of theft.

ance, walloped his first three pitches for extra-base blows last summer.

Since Nova Scotia ball is still technically amateur and the players are not signed to more than a season's contract, few of last year's imports will be back. However some of the teams — especially of the H-D League — look to their ties with major league clubs to furnish them with at least some of their much-needed talent.

ANNUAL MEETING
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND
PROVINCIAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION
The Annual Meeting of the P. E. I. Provincial Rifle Association will be held in the Court Room, City Building, at 8 o'clock on MONDAY EVENING, MAY 10, 1948.
All officers commanding Reserve Units are particularly requested to be present, and all others interested in rifle shooting are invited to attend.
P. A. MacKINNON, Lieut.-Col.,
President.
W. J. MacDONALD, Lieut.-Col.,
Secretary-Treasurer.

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Philadelphia Wins 8-6 From Indians

(By The Canadian Press)
Philadelphia Athletics bumped the American League-leading Cleveland Indians 8-6 yesterday (Tuesday), sparked by Eddie Joost's 10th inning homer with two out and Pete Suder on base.

New York Yankees downed St. Louis Browns 6-1, while Detroit bowed to Boston 5-3, Chicago and Washington played a night game.

In handling the Indians their first setback in six road games and chalking up their fourth consecutive win, the A's unloosed a 12-hit attack off five pitchers.

Joost's payoff blow came at the expense of Charlie Wenzloff. Sam Chapman also homered for the Mackmen, connecting with a three-run round tripper in the third off Steve Gronck.

The Athletics also used five hurlers with Lou Brislie, who hurled hitless ball for the last three innings, getting credit for the victory — his second of the year.

Frank (Spec) Shea went the distance for the first time this year as the Yankees opened their home stand against western teams by defeating the Browns.

Shea, in registering his first victory of the year, allowed only four hits but continued to be plagued by wildness, walking seven. The victory moved the Yankees into third place past the Browns.

Nelson Potter was the Browns' starter and loser. The veteran right-hander gave up single runs in the first and second inning, but tight fielding could have prevented both scores. He retired after five innings complaining of a sore shoulder.

The Red Sox win made it three in a row for the first time this season.

The victory, first of the season for Dave Ferris who worked the first six innings, boosted the Sox ahead of the Tigers into the American League's fifth place.

A four-run blast in the sixth inning, sparked by Wally Moses' pinch single and capped by Vern Stephens' lusty two run triple, practically assured the Sox triumph.

In the night game, Washington and Chicago battled to a 3-3 tie. The game was called at the end of five innings due to rain.

Washington clustered two runs off Joe Haynes in the first inning on Haynes' error, Mickey Vernon's double and Tom McBride's single, but the White Sox picked up a run when Sid Hudson walked Tony Lupien with the bases filled in the third inning.

The Senators boosted their lead to 3-1 in the fourth, but Chicago tied the score with two runs in the fifth when Cass Michaels walked and Don Kolloway and Lupien singled.

Based on the meeting last night the Anchors have Art Perry as catcher, Lefty McAlister and MacKenzie sharing the pitching chores, Ryan, MacKenzie and Hennessey on first, second and third bases respectively, Stanley at short, and Gallant, Matheson, McLennan and Murphy in the field.

The Rovers have Larter as backstop with Corish and Cairns tossing 'em up. Trainor, Higson, Williams and Buck Whitlock will handle the infield assignments, Elmer and Cec Ward, Carmichael and Whalen will patrol the outfield.

Charley Keller On Baseball's Comeback Trail

By JACK HAND
NEW YORK, May 4 — (AP) — Charley Keller is trudging along baseball's comeback trail. Soon they'll be calling him King Kong again.

Last September, two months after an operation for removal of a disc from the base of his spine, Keller himself doubted he ever would play again.

During the early exhibition games, Keller was just another ball player, running for exercise. One day they let him get in a ball game as a pinch-hitter. He singled sharply to right on the first pitch and managed to get to first base.

"At first I thought I was going to fall flat on my face," he said. "It's a good thing Bucky (manager Bucky Harris) put in a runner for me."

Although Keller hit the ball hard in the spring and ran reasonably fast, there were those who shook their heads and warned "Wait until he has to slide."

Well, he had to slide in Philadelphia last week, scoring all the way from first on Yogi Berra's double. Press box observers said he didn't hold up a bit.

Keller, who was allowed to condition himself according to his own formula, thinks he's back in the groove.

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Surgeons took another inch off the right leg of president Bill Veck of Cleveland Indians today and described the operation as "satisfactory." It was the third amputation of the leg below the knee. Veck injured it while with the United States Marines in the South Pacific.

TOBACCO, May 4 — (CP) — Fifty-three amateur boxers will contest the Ontario Olympic boxing trials to be staged at Toronto Thursday and Friday. Winners qualify for the Olympic trials at Montreal.

Sport Forum

BOXING CHAMPIONS?

Sir, — Now that the boxing season is just around the corner, would it not be a good time to start giving the fans "WHAT THEY PAY FOR" in the way of producing what is built up in the pre-fight promotion, or in other words if a boxer is billed as champion in any class the cash customers expect to see just that. I have noticed in the past that a number of boxers have been billed as champions of certain areas or districts but on investigation find that these fighters have not earned the right to such titles, in fact some of them have not even been heard of in the area in which they are supposed to be champions.

The immediate formation of an independent boxing commission for P.E.I. in my opinion is the only solution to our problem. I am, Sir, etc.
BOXING FAN

Local Hoop Champions Hold Banquet

Last Saturday night the Blue Room of the Old Spain was the scene of the victory banquet of Ray's Millionaires who this year won the City League basketball title. Proceedings were underway about 6:30 P.M. and the enjoyable occasion being a treat to the sponsor, Ray Keenan, proposed by team captain Angus MacDonald.

At the close of the meal, team coach Windy LePage reviewed the year's activities of the Millionaires and paid due tribute to his teammates, thanking them for their co-operation and spirit during the past season. The Millionaires, he pointed out, started this, their first year with nine players on their roster and ended up entering the finals with but the minimum five regular players and one spare brought up from the second squad. Despite this player loss the team went through the semi-finals and finals without a defeat and wound up the season with a record of 16 wins, five losses and one tie out of a total of 22 games played. In these 22 games the team counted 966 points for a 44.3 points per game average.

In closing, the coach thanked Ray Keenan for his kindness in sponsoring and equipping the team and for his help, to and faith in the team all the way through. As a small token of appreciation Ray was presented a silver cup by the team on which the following is inscribed: "To Ray from the Millionaires, City League Champs 1947-1948."

A vote of thanks to Windy LePage as coach of the team was moved by Captain Angus MacDonald and seconded by Earl Nicholson.

Short remarks were heard from W.J. MacDonald and Ray Keenan after which Mr. Frank Storey was introduced. Mr. Storey reviewed some of the old times when he was playing basketball with the "Y" teams a few years back. He quoted a few records which he claims will be hard to beat and rightly so. He paid tribute to the team and to Ray and pledged his help, through the business firm of which he is a partner, to the promotion of basketball in the City of Charlottetown. He presented each member of the team with a statuette, a basketball player mounted on a basketball base, as a token of victory. These trophies were donated by the firms of Crockett and Storey.

Members of the team are: Angus MacDonald, Earl Nicholson, Hugh Simpson, Earl Smith, Noel Wilson, Cliff Court, Irving MacKinnon and Windy LePage. It was pointed out that four of Ray's Millionaires were members of the Abegweit All Stars.

After the banquet the team and guests adjourned to a stag party at the home of Mr. Ray Keenan, where an enjoyable evening's entertainment was had. The entertainment included a game of bridge, singing and skits, all supplied by members of the team.

REMEMBER WHEN

By The Canadian Press
Johnny Risko, Cleveland baker boy, 17 years ago tonight got a 12-round win over Max Beer the California heavyweight who in 1934 took the championship by a technical knockout from Primo Carnera. One year later Jimmy Braddock dethroned Beer and in 1937 Braddock lost his crown to Joe Louis, present heavyweight champion.

CHICAGO, May 4 — (AP) — Edward Charles and Elmer (Violent) Ray today successfully passed rigid physical examinations for their 10-round boxing bout in Chicago Stadium Friday night.

Charles, top ranking challenger for the world's light heavyweight championship, will donate \$5,000 of his purse to the parents of the late Sam Baroudi, who died six hours after being knocked out by Charles last Feb. 20.

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Slaughter Breaks Batting Slump With Home Run

Enos Slaughter broke up his batting slump with an eighth inning home run—the margin of victory in the St. Louis Cardinals' 5-4 victory over Brooklyn Dodgers before 27,768 fans in a National League game last night.

The Brooklyn club rallied briefly in the top of the ninth but Al Brazle pitched himself out of danger after just one run came in. Brazle came on the mound in the third while the birds were behind 2-0 and stayed out of trouble until the last inning when Don Lund, Carl Furillo and Billy Cox singled, bringing in one tally. With two down Brazle got Gil Hodges to fly out.

The Dodgers picked on starter George Mungler in the first inning for two runs but the Birds came back in a three-run fifth inning rally which included a bad three-base error by Spider Jorgenson.

Stan Musial lined the ball out of the park in the sixth inning to give St. Louis a two-run lead but Brooklyn worked up one more run in the eighth when Jackie Robinson hit safely scoring Bob Bragan.

Ralph Branca, the loser, gave up six of the seven Cardinal hits, giving way to a pinch hitter in the eighth. Paul Minner finished the game for the Dodgers allowing one hit in one inning—Slaughter's circuit blow.

The Boston Braves-Pittsburgh Pirates game was called early in the fourth inning because of rain and the fourth groundings.

The Pirates were leading 3-0 but at the moment the game was called off, after an hour of delays because of showers, the Braves had two men on base and nobody out.

TORONTO, May 4 — (CP) — Criticism of commercialized sport on Sundays was made by Gen. Albert Orsborn, C.B.E., international leader of the Salvation Army, at a press conference here.

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Charlottetown For Island Middleweight Championship

10 ROUNDS
EMMETT GALLANT vs. LLOYD CARR
Charlottetown 145 lbs. Charlottetown 165 lbs.

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Island Featherweight Champ. Charlottetown

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