

SPORTING NEWS



Balked in their first attempt to get the league underway last Thursday night the City Softball teams are expected to swing into action tonight with the defending champions, the strong Y.M.C.A. team taking on the Air Force squad in what should be a battle of a battle all the way through.

Much interest is being evidenced throughout the city in this year's league and fans in godly numbers were keenly disappointed when the teams were unable to swing into action last week. Followers of the different teams in the league are also eagerly awaiting to see their squads in action and it looks as if softball is due for a big comeback this season.

Practice sessions have been limited during the past few days but nevertheless the players have managed to get in several real stiff practice sessions and should be up to a real smart, fast brand of game in tonight's tussle. The game is slated for seven o'clock with all encounters being played at the Victoria Park diamond.

Baseball fans are pondering what in thunder goes on in the majors this year.

Anyone would have been considered slightly teched in the head had he said a year ago that late in May, 1943, the Phils and Braves would be battling for third place in the National League, that the Phils would draw 37,176 fans for a doubleheader with the Pirates at Shibe Park and that the Chicago Cubs and Boston Red Sox would be locked in the cellars of their respective leagues.

The Brooklyn Dodgers and the St. Louis Cardinals so far are about the only clubs who are not completely true to form, and for Brooklyn fans who already are figuring where they want to sit for the World Series it might be pointed out that a year ago Durocher's darlings were five and a half games in front. Today it's only two and a half and look what happened last year!

The Yankees are in first place in the American League to give their backers comfort. The Yanks figured to be up there somewhere, although it is minor miracle that they are considering that Charley Keller and Joe Gordon were rated the game who would be responsible for the pennant. Last year they had only five hits in his last 43 times at bat. And betting cleanup, yet!

Well, I told you so in the case of Cleveland and his high position were not for the fact that one might mention the Cincinnati Reds in the National League, our annual disappointment. We picked the Indians and Reds for the World Series.

Even the usually outstanding Red pitching has been falling lately, and when the team does get a well-pitched game it loses anyway. It's on a diet when it comes to the plate, and Bill McKechnie will have to start putting a keg of beer on third-base to get the boys around. They're eight games out now, which shows how they go out.

Well, out of the New York Giants, whose low season has been their honor in that they lost their team to the Service, thinks the Cardinals have a little edge on the Dodgers for the pennant although his opinion might be prejudiced in that when he expressed it his team had just lost three in a row to the Red Sox and you always remember your latest lookings clearest.

Out is the one bright spot in the Giants play and the way the fans would perk up last Sunday when he came to bat, then settle back to their places. The pitcher who right other Giants batted until he came around again was something to see.

The races in both leagues probably will continue to be full of surprises, in that it doesn't look like there is a pushover in either league as there has been in recent years when the Phils, and usually the Athletics, were just open doors for most teams. This year any team can expect a battle from any other team.

Sure, some team has to be in last place in each league. Right now the Chicago Cubs are a very solid last in the National, but they don't figure to be that bad all season any more than the currently second last place Red Sox figure to be permanently last place.

The whole campaign is tony-tarry, and to make it just about perfect the Phils and A's should meet in the World Series.

In his 12 years in the National league a lot of recognition has come to William Jennings (Billy) Herman, but this season the star infielder of the Brooklyn Dodgers has a chance to top all his previous honors.

He is leading the league in batting with a .366 average, in runs batted in with 23 (seven more than his closest rival) and in doubles with 12. Besides this spectacular batting he has done a great defensive job at third base a new position for him and is one of the principal reasons the Dodgers are in first place.

During his term with the Chicago Cubs Herman hit above 300 in seven different seasons and in 1935 had an average of .341, topping the league in total hits and in doubles. The Cubs gave up on him when James Galloway became general manager in 1941, but he is quite a ballplayer.

Whether he can maintain his surprise pace throughout the season

Stirring Win Keeps Dodgers Heading League

NEW YORK, May 31 (AP)—The Brooklyn Dodgers still lead the National League—by virtue of a 1-0 decision in a stirring nightcap of a doubleheader against St. Louis today, after the Cardinals had smothered the eastern club 7-0 on Mort Cooper's one-hit pitching in the opener before 25,884, largest crowd of the season in Sportman's Park.

The Cincinnati Reds captured the second game of a twin bill between Cincinnati Reds and New York Giants after the Reds captured the opener 6-4.

The nightcap was halted in the Cincinnati half of the sixth inning with the score 0-0 but the Reds were threatening for the first time with two men on and one down.

At Chicago, Philadelphia wallowed the Cubs 10-4 but the Chicago team then turned on the Phillies and whipped them 8-2 before a crowd of 22,256.

At Philadelphia, the so-called dead ball both teams hammered out a total of 44 hits for the afternoon, including two homers by Bill Nicholson and others by Danny Litwiler, Babe Dahlgren and Dan Murtaugh.

In Pittsburgh the Pirates and Boston Red Sox split a doubleheader, Boston taking the first game 6-1 and Pittsburgh the second 4-0.

Sport Shorts From Britain

By ALLAN NICKLESON
SOMEWHERE IN ENGLAND, May 31 (CP)—Seasons don't mean a thing up in the hockey hotbed of Scotland where a Canadian navy team just completed a four-season tour of six games witnessed by more than 16,000 screaming enthusiasts.

The boys are back at their training centre in Glasgow, Ont. during the week they had at the hands of the citizenry and of how playing against picked Scottish teams, they won four, lost one and tied one. The defeat came at Dunfermline where they were whipped 10-6 in the draw, 6-6 was in the last game at Kirkcaldy. The victories were registered at Paisley, Dundee, Ayr and Falkirk.

A smooth-working club, the Canadian unit was led by such stalwarts as Sub-Lieut. Ron Perowms of Montreal, AB's H. Miller of Winnipeg and F. Alf of Dauphin. Man. Stokers R. Smart of Calgary and B. Kennedy of Windsor, Ont. Other team members included Leading Seaman K. Ross of Schreiber, Ont. and A. J. Mulhern of Montreal. Lieut. J. Dewis of Camrose, Alta., and AB. J. Forbes of Port Colborne, Ont.

From Mt. St. John, Ont. former Toronto newspaperman now with the R.C.A.F. Public Relations, comes this bit:

"If a three-bagger with the bases loaded is baffling to an Englishman, think what a touchdown pass on a fake end run does to an Arab."

John writes from a bomber station deep in Tunisia that Canadian flyers in the R.A.F. and American flyers have been putting on a bit of tough rugby. The boys compromise on Canadian and American rules by the simple procedure of agreeing that the main thing is to get the ball over the goal line.

From the triumph over the sand without being bothered by a lot of committee-room rules.

The razzle-dazzle of football—and the Arabs don't know what to make of that game either. Translated freely from Arabic they think the flying lads are "whacky."

Playing their first official game of football overseas the Company of the Cape Breton Highlanders whitewashed an army field regiment 8-0.

Prominent in the triumph were Ptes. F. Poirier of Inverness, N. B.; J. L. McIsaac and E. I. McKinnon of Sydney Mines, N.S. and Lieut. A. G. Spence of Moosomin, Sask.

For the losers, Cnr. F. D. Laycock of Vancouver, L. E. A. J. Towler of Toronto and Sgt. A. B. Bulmer of Regina, stood out.

David Morrice of Montreal, one of the better doubles players produced in Canada during the days of Willard Crocker and Jack Wright, has enough time from his duties to swing out on a tennis court. Dave holds the post of air liaison officer with the A.C. army co-operation squadron and holds the rank of captain. A few years back he played tennis in the Wimbledon championships.

White Sox Yankees Divide Pair Of Games

NEW YORK, May 31 (AP)—Chicago White Sox who knocked Washington Senators out of the American League lead yesterday, tried to trap New York Yankees that same way today before 31,893 fans at Yankee Stadium.

But after winning the opener 10-6 with a five-run fourth inning, the Sox were overwhelmed 10-4 in the second game and the Yankees continued in first place.

At Philadelphia, coming back to win the second game, 4-3, after Detroit had taken the first, 7-0, the Athletics divided the holiday doubleheader with the Tigers before 23,833.

The Tigers won the first game when southpaw Hal Newhouse permitted only two hits while Al MacGraw stabbed rookie Ori Ambrin for 10 safeties.

In the second game Roger Wolff scattered eight Tiger safeties to win his fifth victory.

In Boston, the Red Sox took two overtimes, eight Tigers to win their fifth victory.

Montreal, 2-1 in 13 innings and 7-6 in 10, to move into the American League Sixth berth before a holiday crowd.

At Washington, Washington and Cleveland split a twin bill, the Senators winning the first game 8-7 while the Indians took the night cap 7-6 in 13 innings.

Baseball Linescores

NATIONAL

Philadelphia 10; Chicago 4.
Philadelphia 2; Chicago 8.
New York 4; Cincinnati 1.
New York 9; Cincinnati 0.
Boston 6; Pittsburgh 1.
Boston 0; Pittsburgh 4.
Brooklyn 7; St. Louis 0.
Brooklyn 1; St. Louis 0.

AMERICAN

Chicago 10; New York 5.
Chicago 4; New York 10.
Cleveland 7; Washington 2.
Detroit 3; Philadelphia 4.
St. Louis 1; Boston 2.
St. Louis 6; Boston 7.
Cleveland 7; Washington 8.
Cleveland 7; Washington 6.

INTERNATIONAL

Montreal 9; Buffalo 2.
Montreal 3; Buffalo 2.
Jersey City 5; Newark 6.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

Minneapolis 0; St. Paul 6.
St. Paul 3; Minneapolis 0.
Toledo 11; Columbus 5.

Pitches No-Hit No-Run Game

SACRAMENTO, Calif., May 31 (AP)—Henry (Ootun) Phippen, Oakland pitcher, threw a no-hit, no-run game at his former Sacramento home in the seventh inning nightcap of a Pacific coast league doubleheader today, Oakland winning, 10-0.

WARTIME BUILDINGS USE MODERN METHODS

Temporary buildings have sprung up all across Canada to serve the purposes of the armed forces and civilian staffs needed to carry on an all-out war effort. Into these buildings have gone modern Canadian materials and some remarkable illustrations of their efficiency are being secured under strenuous wartime conditions.

In Ottawa, for instance, a flooring contractor recently suggested an asphalt tile flooring be installed in the temporary office building being erected for the Wartime Prices and Trade Board. The general contractor also secured quotations on specifications calling for sleepers over concrete slab, plus hardwood topping, plus linoleum. Although the quantity involved was only 18,000 square feet, the saving has been a great one. The flooring directly on the concrete slab was in the neighborhood of \$3.00 and the W.P.T.B. was able to follow its own lead by using this Canadian-made material.

Temporary housing for war workers, buildings for the army, air force and navy, new structures, many of which will be permanent for the war, are being built. The factory fabricated materials Canada has been able to make. And the theory that post-war construction will largely be made up of these specially designed materials is being proved every day the country is at war.

City Softball Details Decided

The executive of the Charlotte town softball league it was decided yesterday, will consist of a representative from each team in the league, together with a president and secretary to be appointed from citizens of the city.

The following have been named to the executive: president, P. W. Turner, secretary, W. E. Scantlebury, Lieut. MacLennan, navy; Lieut. Roy R.C.A.F.; Cpl. A. E. Richard, army.

It was decided, too, that six officials be named to handle the games as umpires and base judges, with the privilege of alternating in those positions. Three will be appointed from the services and three from citizens of Charlottetown, with the understanding that at least one from the services will act at each game.

The following were named from the city: Hector McQuarrie, William Lawrie and Percy McInnis. The services will name their representatives later. The chief umpire will not be connected with any of the playing teams.

Following is the approved schedule: (Note—the first game was to have been played May 27 but it rained out. It will be played Wednesday night, with the navy meeting the army.)

June 1—Air Force vs. Y.M.C.A.
2—Army vs. Y.M.C.A.
3—Army vs. Air Force
4—Navy vs. Air Force
5—Navy vs. Y.M.C.A.
6—Navy vs. Army
7—Navy vs. Army
8—Air Force vs. Y.M.C.A.
9—Army vs. Y.M.C.A.
10—Army vs. Air Force
11—Navy vs. Air Force
12—Navy vs. Y.M.C.A.

LONDON (CP) - The parents of two-month-old Terence Roy Carrigan bought a cat to name after the one they found Terence lying unconscious in his crib. On his chest was the cat, asleep. Terry died before reaching hospital.

remains to be seen, of course, and he is being closely presc, even now in his place on top the percent age.

Famous Race Driver Dead

POINT EDWARD, N. S., May 31 (CP)—Ollie Rudderham, 47, for 20 years a familiar figure on light-harness ovals throughout the Maritimes, died Sunday at his home in this village near Sydney. He had been ill for three years.

He was one of the best known racing drivers in Cape Breton.

Phillies' Owner Gives Pep Talk

CHICAGO, May 31 (AP)—Bill Cox, young owner of Philadelphia Phillies, joined the team today and had a close talk with the players before they took the field for a doubleheader with Chicago Cubs.

I just wanted to give them some encouragement before they got a lot of hustle and I know their slump can't last."

The Phillies ended a six-game losing streak by beating the Cubs 10-4 in the first game, but they dropped the second, 8-2.

Looks Like Twice In A Row For Ducks

It looks like another good year for the ducks -- twice in a row.

For ten years, Mother Nature destroyed ducks by the millions every year. Last year she was the biggest contributor to Ducks Unlimited; and it looks like -- maybe -- she has signed up for two more contracts.

But there are hazards -- Crows and magpies will eat more duck eggs and kill more young birds. There are also many other dangers. We are doing all we can, here. It looks to me that United States sportsmen will have to contribute these pests -- chiefly in the States centering upon Oklahoma where they winter.

Stubble fires are particularly dangerous this summer. Last fall, grain straw was heavy and the combines left veritable jungles in the stubble fields. Many of these nesting sites for ducks and upland game birds. A wet fall and cold wet spring prevent a touchdown in the ground to nest. That means much stubble will be burned in June, which, in turn, means heavy egg and brood loss. To prevent this, we have circulated our Koon and farmer groups all through the country pointing out the danger and suggesting that stubble be reduced. This will save millions of birds -- but many will die.

Drought is still a hazard. During dry periods, when there is little water on the prairie, the ducks go further north to more permanent water. There they are relatively safe from drought, although other drawbacks tend to limit waterfowl increases under these conditions. This spring thousands of potatoes that have been dry for ten years contain some water. All are well populated with nesting birds. Conditions are ideal for maximum clutches and broods; and the plentiful food supply guarantees large, fat birds in the fall. But if Mother Nature is stingy with her precipitation during June and early July, and sets the thermometer at 100 degrees and dry winds, the duck losses from drought this summer will still be enormous.

Wateration is simple and practical. Establish permanent waters here and there in good nesting territory. Dry up when their home ponds are dry. If you have a pond and brood can walk to water within 3 miles. Holding such deep strategic waters (we call them Koo-waters) is a basic activity of Ducks Unlimited in the Western Canada duck factory.

Fish and Game News

By T. M. G.

On Friday, June 4th, the first quarterly meeting of the newly organized branch of the P. E. I. Fish & Game Protective Association will be held. Since the first public meeting held about three months ago in the City Hall the Association has grown to nearly 100 members. The first meeting will include 10 new members from Montserrat. It is hoped in the near future Montserrat will be able to send a representative to the Fish & Game Association.

All members should attend the quarterly meeting, also any person or persons wishing to become members.

The Game Bird Committee will undoubtedly have reports to make at the meeting which should be of great interest to all members.

From the talk around town I know that all the fishermen are real anxious to hear the state of rules governing the Trout Fishing Contest which is to be held during this fishing season, among the members of the Association.

Being on the Game Bird Committee myself I know there is plenty to report.

By the last monthly meeting some of the members had the opportunity of talking with Mr. Harold Peters of the U.S. Wild Life Survey Department. He said that few members that during his check on Woodcock in this province he had seen were constructed, and especially the Pheasants were plentiful and that there were possibly more Pheasants on the Island than in any other part of the world. Since then Mr. George Hardie and the writer have been doing a little work on the Game Bird Committee and we are beginning to believe Mr. Peters really knows what he is talking about.

A week or so ago eight settings of Pheasant eggs arrived in the city and were distributed among 25 members of the Association who are endeavoring to have these eggs hatched by using hens. If they should have good success in hatching these eggs the young birds will be released when they are about 8 to 10 weeks of age. If

Remember When

(By The Canadian Press)

Lou Gehring, then 22, Columbia University's gift to baseball, 18 years ago today took over first base for the New York Yankees to start an iron man stunt unequalled in modern baseball. In 14 years Lou played 2,130 consecutive games for the Yankees. Gehring died in 1941 and his baseball prowess has been immortalized on stage, screen and radio.

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Green (Prof. Con. Vancouver South) said no buildings were constructed until the necessity had been proven beyond question.

Mr. Diefenbaker said of Debert: "If ever there was a camp chosen anywhere in Canada which was little short of disgraceful from the point of view of the men required to live in that camp, it is Debert."

"Debert has certainly filled a marvellous place in the defence plans of Canada," Col. Ralston interjected. "When my honorable friend speaks of conditions as 'little short of disgraceful' in connection with a camp I suggest he is exaggerating a little."

Mr. Diefenbaker said that in the spring of 1942 the camp was "inundated" and that it was difficult to

Col. Ralston

understand why, with all the available sites in Nova Scotia, one should be chosen that required \$239,000 to be spent at once on drainage.

That was the cost of drainage up to Feb. 26, 1941 he said, and he wanted to know how much had been spent for that purpose since.

Col. Ralston said the amount was small.

Col. Ralston said Debert site was chosen "at a time when we needed a large camp for the concentration of troops down on the east coast, for tactical reasons."

It was located by the engineers of the military district and was chosen because of its tactical location in its area, its closeness to railroads, its central location with respect to coast lines, and it was directly beside an airport, then being developed by the R. A. F.

The camp contained nine square miles and drainage for an area that size with nine miles of hard surfaced roads and a hard-surfaced parade ground.

Col. Ralston said he was "disappointed" by Mr. Diefenbaker's criticism because he knew of United States visitors having been "impressed" by it -- people who knew about camps and camp construction.

He thought my friend has been misinformed when he speaks about "disgraceful conditions," the Minister said. "The camp has served a most useful purpose and has been one of our most efficient and effective camps in Canada."

The drainage costs at Debert, Col. Ralston said undoubtedly included the sewage system. Very little had been spent for that purpose since February, 1941.

The Minister said Debert had cost \$5,000,000 up to last year but he promised to get up-to-date figures for the House.

Col. Ralston said the new construction would cover a considerable amount overseas and for anti-aircraft, airport and coast defences at home.

There would be expenditure of "several millions" in Newfoundland. Certain signal and communications systems were being constructed "in two other camps."

Other construction would include hospitals and hospital renovation, and a special grandstand building which was badly needed, accommodation at Long Point, training camps, storage and depot buildings.

Col. Ralston said that while the general principle was to rent buildings where that was advisable there were many instances when it was more economical to buy outright.

All purchases made so far were without the intervention of a real estate agent the Minister said in reply to a question.

Replying to a question from D. K. Hazen (Prof. Con. Saint John-Albert) Col. Ralston said 27 chapels for divine service had been constructed and the program soon to



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Soon after victory we will again be making plenty of C.C.M. "wheels" resplendent with chrome plating, color enamel, gold and fancy striping. Till then, you can help us "make the wheels go 'round'" by releasing any inactive bicycle in your household and getting it into active service by selling it to your C.C.M. dealer who will see that a war worker or other qualified person gets it.

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C.C.M. Bicycles

PRECISION-BUILT FOR EASY RUNNING

we could get a few more members who are as interested in increasing the Pheasants on the island as we are. I am sure it would not be too long before we would have an open season on these birds.

There is also some talk about holding field trials here this fall which would be something new from the Province of Quebec especially to all dog owners.

Mr. B. Graham Rogers has in his possession three sporting pictures from the Province of Quebec which we hope to see at the quarterly meeting.

A recent letter from A.J. Hicks editor of the Moncton Transcript, which is published by the Moncton Branch of the New Brunswick Fish & Game Protective Association he tells us he is much interested in hearing that the P. E. I. Fish & Game Protective Association is really active. He says he hopes to see the day when the sportsmen from the three Maritime Provinces will hold a Sportsman's Parliament which ideas of wild life management seasons and the many other problems which now divide instead of banding them together will bear fruit and become an annual affair.

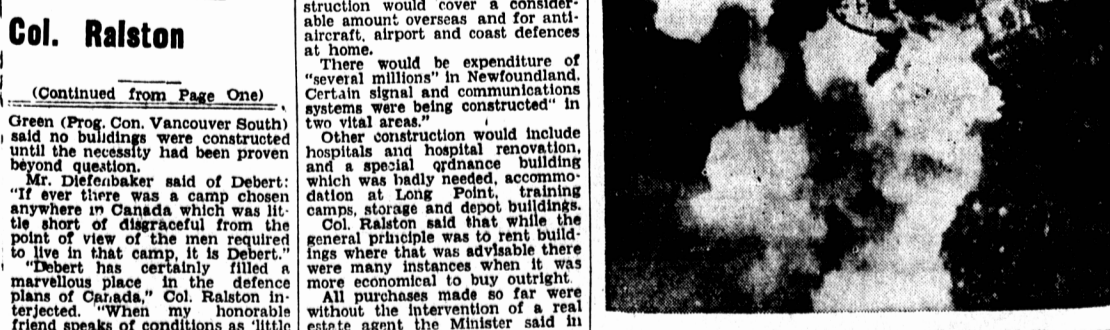
being immobilized for three years. The German radio made the announcement that the squad had joined the Allies yesterday. The Vichy government charged had been started into submission. Sources here said that the Vichy charge was "quite untrue" and the action had been completely voluntary.

Getting the fleet in shape to see again promised to be a tedious job. After being laid up for three years and partially dismantled, the warships must be cleaned, repaired and refitted and their crews restored. Trained men are particularly scarce.

Repairs could be made in Alexandria, in Great Britain or in the United States.

Confirm French Ships Join Allies

LONDON, May 31 (CP)—French naval units at Alexandria have cast their lot with the Allies after negotiations with Gen. Henri Giraud, it was officially confirmed here today, but doubt was expressed that the somewhat antiquated fleet would prove of much value after



How mercilessly Allied airmen are purging the Mediterranean of enemy shipping is indicated in this dramatic photo, which shows two pillars of smoke towering into the air after a U. S. Flying Fortress scored a direct hit on a 400-foot Italian troop transport.