Rovers Capture City League Opener

L. P. U. Anchors Are Defeated 11-10 By Northend Team

Before the largest crowd of fans to witness a game in years North End Rovers yesterday started off the City Baseball League by slamming out an 11-10 victory over the favored L.P.U. Anchors in a game that saw both teams shaky at the start but then settle down to play a brand for ball that was considered good for an opener.

Taking advantage of three passed batsmen in the opening inning, a wild pitch, a hit batsman, two singles and two errors Rovers sent six runners scampering across the plate before being retired and then managed to hold off the on-rushing Anchors for the entire game.

The losers got two runs in their first turn at the plate, with the Rovers getting a single in the top half of the second. Anchors came back with two tallies in the last half of the same frame and then added three in the third to knot the score at 6-all but the northend crew came through with single runs in the fourth, fifth, sixth and eighth while holding their opponents to two runs in the sixth and then choking off their last bid in the last half of the ninth at two runs, McDonald getting an Anchors' pinchhitter on strikes after a wallop to left field had just gone foul by inches.

Some smart fielding plays were dished out during the encounter despite the sixteen errors chalked up against the squads, with "Buck" Whitlock giving the crowd its biggest thrill as he walloped a long drive to right centre in the third that went for a home run.

A surprise starter on the mound Carl McDonald went the route for the winners. He was touched for 14 safe blows but his mates played steady ball with runners on, snuffing out runners three times by catching them off the sacks, while on other occasions McDonald steadied to snuff out the rallies himself.

"Lefty" McAleer going into the game in the first inning with three runs in, two runners on and but one out, halted the Rovers' uprising, limiting them to single counters from the second through the ninth inning. He was nicked for 13 safeties including doubles by Elmer Ward and LeClair.

In addition to Whitlock's four-base wallop Jack Gallant and Hennessey hit triples, with Joey LeClair poling out a two-master.

Rovers	Ab	R	H	Po	A	E
Mathieson, 1b	3	0	0	10	0	1
Higson, 2b	5	1	2	4	3	1
Rice, 3b	4	2	1	3	4	1
Whitlock, ss	5	2	2	2	3	2
LeClair, rf	5	0	4	0	0	0
McDonald	4	3	0	0	3	1
Hunter, c	4	1	0	8	2	2
E. Ward, cf	5	1	2	0	0	0
C. Ward, lf	5	1	2	0	1	1
Totals	40	11	13	27	16	9

Anchors	Ab	R	H	Po	A	E
LeClair, cf	5	0	2	0	0	1
Hennessey, c	5	2	1	9	2	2
McKinnon, 2b	4	3	2	4	1	0
Ryan, 1b	5	2	2	9	3	0
Williams, ss	5	1	2	3	3	1
Connors, 3b	5	0	1	0	1	1
Gallant, lf	5	2	2	1	1	1
Wilson, rf	5	0	2	0	0	1
McCallum, p	0	0	0	0	0	0
*McAleer, p	4	0	0	1	2	0
**Stanley	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	44	10	14	27	18	7

*replaced McCallum in 1st.
**batted for McAleer in 9th.

By Innings

Rovers	6	1	1	0	1	1	3	9
Anchors	2	1	3	0	0	1	4	7
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E

Umpires: At the plate, Geo. Francis; on bases, W. Lawlor, and Jack Kane.

The frog breathes by swallowing air, because he has no ribs and, therefore, cannot breathe by expanding and contracting the chest.

Louis Says Conn Made No Mistake

By TED MEIER

NEW YORK, June 9—(AP)—After waiting five years champion Joe Louis has exploded the theory held in some quarters that challanger Billy Conn made a mistake in the 18th round back in 1941 that cost the Pittsburgh dandy his chance to lift the heavyweight title.

Louis knocked out Conn in the 13th round in their June, 1941, scrap. With their return title fuss now only 10 days away, Conn's handlers are saying Billy won't slug it out with the champ this time.

Louis burst this theory at his Pompton Lakes, N. J., camp yesterday.

"Conn did not make any mistake," Louis said. "He did not start slugging with me (as has been generally supposed). He did all his slugging in the 12th round. In the 13th, he got caught throwing a left hook and I crossed my right to the jaw. That was the beginning of the end."

Joe went on: "When I came to my corner at the end of the 12th, my trainer, the late Jack Blackburn, said 'Joe you are fighting right into Conn's hands. You are fighting his fight. Just to please him I said 'I'll knock him out in the next round and I was just lucky enough to do it'."

Gives Up On Tigers

POMPTON LAKES, N. J., June 9—Aside from the fact that Joe Louis boxed as much as eight rounds for the first time since his training camp opened, the chief development at the Bomber's camp today was that he has finally given up on the Detroit Tigers.

Finishing what the experts were agreed was his sharpest workout to date for his June 19 meeting with Billy Conn, Joe took time out for a brief morning session over what he thinks are the chances for his favorite ball club to retain baseball's world championship.

"When I saw Hal Newhouser get plastered by the Boston Red Sox yesterday, I knew it's all over for the Tigers," he admitted.

This is considerably different from what Joe feels about his own world championship when he bumps into Billy Conn although he conceded today that the Pittsburgh pretty boy has grown up into considerably better than a green hand with the gloves.

Joe added, too, that all the folks who are speaking a piece for him and predicting that he's going to hustle out and flatten Conn early a week from Wednesday don't know what they're talking about.

"I'm not going to run out and try to kayo Conn in a hurry," he said flatly. "I'm going to be ready to go the whole route. But that doesn't mean I'll pass up any chances to nail him early, if one comes up."

LEGION PRACTICE

All players trying out with the Legion baseball team are asked to be on hand for practice this evening at 6.30 at the Victoria Park diamond. The squad that will partake in Tuesday's game against the Rovers will be selected tonight and it is necessary that everyone be on hand.

HOW THEY STAND

(By The Canadian Press)

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.
Boston	39	9	.817
New York	33	19	.634
Washington	28	20	.583
Detroit	26	24	.510
Cleveland	21	29	.420
St. Louis	19	29	.395
Chicago	16	30	.347
Philadelphia	14	36	.285

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Brooklyn	30	17	.638
St. Louis	27	20	.574
Chicago	25	19	.570
Cincinnati	21	21	.500
Pittsburgh	20	24	.477
Boston	21	25	.456
New York	21	27	.437
Philadelphia	16	28	.363

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

Montreal	33	16	.667
Syracuse	29	17	.630
Newark	25	21	.544
Baltimore	23	21	.523
Buffalo	20	2	.477
Rochester	18	24	.428
Toronto	18	26	.409
Jersey City	13	31	.295

Campanis Is Leading Hitter

NEW YORK, June 9—(AP)—Al Campanis and Jackie Robinson, keystone combination of Montreal's pace-setting International League Royals, are running one-two in the circuit's individual batting tournament.

Campanis, who took over the shortstop berth when the Royals sold Stan Breard to San Diego of the Pacific Coast League, has a .364 mark, eight points more than Robinson, last week's leader.

Robinson, due to a knee injury, failed to appear in any of his club's contests during the past seven days.

The first interscholastic boxing meet to be promoted in local fight circles was run off successfully Friday night at the Sporting Club. The fair crowd of spectators gave the kids plenty of encouragement and the tyros responded by providing lots of crowd-pleasing action. Many of the youngsters showed signs of developing into promising boxers and though few of them desire to make boxing a career, the poise and self-confidence acquired through these friendly ring competitions will stand them in good stead in future years.

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Tom McCloskey, the oldest member of the McCloskey fighting clan was the third man in the ring at the bouts. His brother Ace McCloskey starts on the comeback trail at Halifax Wednesday night when he meets a Montreal middleweight in a six-round semi-final on the Joe Pyle-Mooney card. Ace has never offered any alibis for his defeat at the hands of the sensational Pyle but announced he will stick to fighting middleweight from now on. For his fight with Pyle McCloskey had to train down from 167 to 147 and entered the ring far below his best fighting weight.

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From Pembroke, Ontario comes this bid for the year's best fish story told by a member of a crew constructing a dam near Rapide des Joachim. "Let me tell you about catching fish," says he. "A couple weeks ago the boss sent me to Pembroke for a load of shingles to cover the bunkhouse. On my way across the river I tossed my line out for a spell. I landed a fish that towed me back and forth across the river for half an hour. I finally hollered to a bush crew who came a-running, and after two hours we hauled the brute in. Well sir, the boys fed on that fish for three days and finally got so tired of it we had to throw the rest away. And with the scales we shingled the bunkhouse, cookhouse and horse barns."

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The great writer, Gene Fowler, who hobnobbed with Jack Dempsey in the days when the latter was a young unknown reveals that the former heavyweight champion was a very sensitive person before he rose to fame. Speaking of the ex-champion Fowler says: "Notwithstanding his later legend for rip-roaring aggressiveness, he actually was a shy person with acute sensibilities. It was almost impossible to hurt him during the fury of combat, but so easy to wound him otherwise. And when a supposed friend did him a bad turn—and how frequently that happened—he retired further inside himself.

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"Dempsey sometimes relied on faulty counsellors, suffered the jeers of the crowd, but got up again to move toward his goal and reach a popularity such as seldom follows a man beyond retirement as a champion. He was both wise and credulous, both furious and gentle, both realist and dreamer. In the ring Dempsey was merciless and savage and careless of the rules, but out of it he was a gentle sentimentalist, and in some ways he was naively credulous." Fowler tells of the day he cut down Willard.

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"After the fight the crowd of back-slappers and self-friends trooped to Jack's dressing room. Few persons, however, attended the beaten Willard in the ex-champion's quarters, for defeat, it would seem, is a contagious disease, and no one wishes to risk exposure to it. The vanquished man's jaw had been broken, his cheeks were like eggplants, his eyes almost closed. Willard laboriously dressed himself in his baggy street clothes, and nobody gave him more than a passing glance as he shambled half-blind along the fence, looking for an exit. Reporter Charles MacArthur recognized him and took him in a taxi to a hotel."

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Reading of Willard, it's difficult not to have a soft spot in your heart for big Jess, for all those losers who have watched their fairweather friends quickly avoid them with the same determination they once sought a spot in their company in more successful days. Years after he lost the title Willard was dining with a friend when three gentlemen came to his table and jubilantly reminded him of having witnessed his encounter with the redoubtable Dempsey.

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When the three had gone Willard observed sadly: "During my career I fought 75 fights. I lost only two of them, but I'll be damned if I've ever seen anyone who saw those other 73 bouts." As for Dempsey. After the Willard fight he escaped from the demonstration in his quarters. He went to a hotel and went to sleep. And, according to Fowler:

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"It was not a carefree sleep, however, and he was haunted by hostile dreams. At one o'clock in the morning he dreamed he was being knocked out by Willard. Jack got up in the darkness, went to the bathroom and looked in the mirror to see dry blood on his face. Now he was positive that he had been knocked out by one of Willard's uppercuts and then deserted by his former adherents."

Nimble Volo Trots Off With Feature Event At Westbury

WESTBURY, N Y., June 9—(AP)—Nimble Volo, aged gelding from the Moon and Parish stables of Mercer, Pa., stepped away with top honors in the $3,000 Westbury Trot, feature event of the grand circuit harness racing program at Roosevelt Raceway Saturday night. He won both heats easily the second in 2.05 1-2, fastest time of the meeting for trotters and earned an invitation to the $25,000 American trotting championship here July 3.

With Bob Plaxico, the Ohio veteran at the reins, Nimble got away fast in the first heat and led all the way, with Beatrice Hanover, Harry Pownall up, second by two lengths, followed by Spartan Hanover, Frank Safford driving. The time was 2:08. He repeated in the second dash, winning with ease while J. T. Barnes with Frank Church, Jr., took second by two lengths and Spartan Hanover again was third.

Other winners: Annabel Seniah, Robert Hanover, Aristocracy, Cub Hanover, Volo Hal and Jeeps.

Kelley Wins Montreal Marathon

(By The Canadian Press)

MONTREAL, June 9—Boston's Johnny Kelley, twice winner of the tough Boston marathon, finished a lap and a half ahead of favorite Gerard Cote of St. Hyacinthe, Que., to win the 26-mile, 385-yard Montreal marathon in two hours, 42 minutes and 21 seconds today. Approximately 2,500 fans watched 34 runners dash from the starting point and only 14 cross the finishing line.

Ellison (Tarzan) Brown of Westerly, R. I., set the pace for 18 miles, gave way to Cote, then dropped out at the 20-mile mark. Kelley took over from Cote who dropped to third place and held the lead from then on.

Representation between Montreal and outside runners was fairly well even with 11 Americans, four runners from Ontario, one from Quebec City and 18 from Montreal competing.

Trojans Team Even Series

(By The Canadian Press)

OTTAWA, June 9—A 70-yard touchdown gallop by Norm Bertrand after a pass interception gave Ottawa Trojans a 6-1 verdict over Hamilton Wildcats in the second game of their spring football series at Lansdowne Park here yesterday afternoon.

Trojans, beaten 13-5 in the first game at Hamilton last Wednesday, made few errors as they went about squaring accounts before 4,000 fans. Wildcats threatened only twice, early in the first quarter and late in the last period, when they scored their single point For the rest of the route, Arnie McWatters' Ottawans held the upper hand.

"Go To Limit" In Controlling Gambling

DURHAM, N.C June 9 — (AP) —Reports alleging an epidemic of gambling in baseball parks have brought from president W G Bramham of the National Association a bulletin to all minor league club owners charging them to go "the very limit" to control the situation.

Declaring that it was the duty of club owners to break up "such situations," the bulletin said that failure on their part to do so would indicate that the practice meets with their approval and would make it necessary for Bramham to "forfeit franchises of the offending owners."

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		R	H	E
Detroit	000 101 020—4	14	2	
Boston	543 003 00x—15	16	2	
Newhouser, White, Manders, Caster and Richards; Dobson, Klinger and H. Wagner.				
Cleveland	020 000 000—2	7	0	
New York	001 000 000—1	5	0	
Feller and Hayes; Marshall, Wade, Gumpert and Dickey, Robinson.				
St. Louis	008 000 000—3	6	3	
Philadelphia	202 010 13x—9	9	0	
Kinder, Lamacchia, Fernes and Mancuso, Helf; Fowler and Rsar.				
Chicago	001 104 000—6	11	1	
Washington	090 102 10x—7	14	2	
Lee, Hanner and Tresh, Dickey; Niggeling, Scarborough and Guerra.				
Washington	230 001 01x—7	8	0	
Grove, Papish, Caldwell, and Fernandez, Tresh; W. Kennedy, (Second Game):				
Chicago	004 000 101—6	12	3	
Pierett, Torres and Early.				

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Boston	000 000 020—2	5	0	
Cincinnati	310 000 000—4	9	0	
Lee, Konstanty, Wallace and Masi; Heusser and Lamanno.				
Brooklyn	000 000 000—0	5	1	
Chicago	010 100 00x—2	4	0	
Barney, Melton and Anderson, Sandlock; Chipman and McCullough.				
New York	200 020 001—5	10	0	
Pittsburgh	003 000 000—3	8	1	
Koslo and Cooper; Strincevich and Camelli.				
Philadelphia	000 000 000—0	1	0	
St. Louis	202 000 21x—7	10	0	
T. Hughes, Hoerst, Schanz and Seminick; Barrett and O'Dea.				

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

Montreal	201 011 030—10	12	1
Baltimore	011 004 000— 6	11	4
Moulder, Kehn and Howell; Poat, Ronay, Pdgajny and Kahn.			
Toronto	001 300 010 3—8	13	1
Newark	010 020 011—6	14	3
Bess & Crompton; Haag, Houtz, Pillette and Fallon.			
Buffalo	000 000 000—0	2	0
Jersey City	200 000 00x—2	5	0
Horton and Tabacheck; Rews and Becker.			

Rochester at Syracuse, postponed, rain.

SUNDAY GAMES
AMERICAN LEAGUE

Detroit	000 000 010	1	9	3
Boston	000 032 20x	7	11	1
Trout, Bridges and Richards, Swift; Harris and Wagner. (Second game).				
Detroit	001 100 112	6	10	1
Boston	200 300 03x	11	14	1
Hutchinson, Benton, Gorsica and Tebbetts; Ferriss and McGah.				
St. Louis	302 001 000	6	11	0
Philadelphia	101 000 000	2	7	1
Galehouse and Helf; Savage, Harris, Fagan and Rosar, Desautels				
St. Louis	021 000 001	4	5	1
Philadelphia	200 303 00x	8	13	1
Kinder, Potter, Miller, Fannin and Helf; Marchildon and Rosar.				
Cleveland	100 040 121	9	11	1
New York	000 104 000	5	9	
Black, Lemon, Ferrick and Lollar; Page, Hiller, Wade, Byrne and Robinson, Niarhos. (Second game)				
Cleveland	000 200 011	4	9	2
New York	000 000 205	7	8	0
Reyolds, Krakauskas and Hegan; Chandler and Dickey, Niarhos.				
Chicago	000 001 000	1	5	0
Washington	000 042 01x	7	16	3
Hayenes, Hollingsworth, Perme and Thresh, Fernandes; Haefner and Evans. (Second game)				
Chicago	000 050 030	8	8	1
Washington	000 000 100	1	4	4
Lopat and Dickey; Leonard, Wilson and Guerra.				

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Brooklyn	310 100 0010	6	11	1
Chicago	002 000 4001	7	10	2
(10 innings). Lombardi, Herring, Hatten and Anderson, Padgett; Wyse, Schmitz, Kush, Fleming, Erickson and Mccullough.				
New York	000 001 000	1	6	0
Pittsburgh	000 000 20x	2	5	1
Kennedy and Cooper; Ostermueller and Lopez. (Second game).				
New York	100 000 000	1	9	3
Pittsburgh	200 020 00x	5	6	2
Joyce, Trinkle and Lombardi; Heintzelman, Lanning and Salkeld.				
Philadelphia	000 000 100	1	7	2
St. Louis	350 100 00x	9	13	0
Ripple, Judd, Humprries and Seminick; Spindle; Dickson and Rice. (Second game)				
Philadelphia	000 100 002	3	8	0
St. Louis	000 000 010	1	5	4
Rowe, Karl, Raffensberger and Seminick; Brazle and Garagiola.				
Boston	001 007 015	14	14	0
Cincinnati	200 010 000	3	7	0
Sain and Masi; Shoun, Gumbert, Lambert, Fox, Burpo and Lamanno (Second game)				
Boston	000 000 000	0	4	0
Cincinnati	000 100 00x	1	5	0
Johnson and Hofferth, Sanders; Blackwell and Mueller.				

Heaves Discus Over 180 Feet

MINNEAPOLIS, June 9—(AP)—Bob Fitch of the University of Minnesota, Saturday threw the discus 180 feet, 2 3-4 inches to better the world record mark of 174 feet 10 3-4 inches established in 1941 by Adolfo Consolini at Milan, Italy.

Fighting Days Of Bartolo Are Ended

(By The Associated Press)

NEW YORK, June 9—The fighting days of Sal Bartolo, 26-year-old Boston featherweight who suffered a broken jaw Friday night in losing his title bout with Willie Pep, are over, Dr. Vincent Nardiello said Saturday night.

Bartolo, in St. Clare Hospital, his jaws wired together, will be on a liquid diet for at least four weeks, said Dr. Nardiello, who also is a New York State athletic physician.

Condition Is Unchanged

WASHINGTON, June 9 — (AP) —Walter Johnson, famous Washington Senators pitcher of years gone by, remained in a coma today in hospital and doctors said his condition was unchanged.

The 58-year-old baseball immortal entered the hospital in April, complaining of a numbness in his left arm. His illness was diagnosed as a brain tumor.

France Wins Two Matches

PARIS, June 9 — (AP) —France's favored Davis Cup team today encountered surprising resistance from Yugoslavia's netmen but managed to win the first two singles matches of the European zone semi-final series. A victory in the doubles will clinch a place for France in the zone finals against the survivor of the Sweden-Belgium semi-final series.

HALIFAX, June 9—(CP)—Truro Bearcats scored a 3-2 decision over Halifax Arrows in a Halifax and district senior baseball match here Saturday. The game, which went into the 11th inning, was over when Lefty Neil Staples' wild pitch allowed Johnny Clark to score from third.

Sox Keep Up Torrid Pace By Winning Three From Detroit

(By The Canadian Press)

With the help of some lusty slugging and the right amount of good pitching, Boston Red Sox maintained their hot pace over the week-end by downing Detroit Tigers three times. The league leaders thus maintained their clean home record against the American League western clubs which haven't notched a victory in Beantown all season.

The Sox downed Bengals 16-4 on Saturday, collecting 16 resounding safeties, then swept a Sunday doubleheader 7-1 and 11-6 as Dave Ferriss racked up his 10th victory of the year in the second game after Mickey Harris outlasted Paul Dizzy) Trout in the opener.

New York Yankees fell another game off the pace—dropping eight cantos behind the Sox—as they were able to salvage only one in three with Cleveland Indians. Rapid Robert Feller tamed them with five hits Saturday for a 2-1 decision, and Sunday the Yanks lost the first game 9-5 before bouncing back for a 7-4 verdict in the nightcap.

Chicago and Washington played a marathon series over the week-end, with Senators taking both Saturday games by identical scores of 7-6 and the clubs splitting Sunday. Senators made it three in a row with a 7-1 verdict in the opener, but the White Sox turned on their tormentors and clouted out an 8-1 decision in the second game.

Philadelphia Athletics completed the discomfiture of St. Louis Browns by winning twice over the week-end against one loss. The A's clouted three Brownie pitchers, 9-3, Saturday, dropped Sunday's first game 6-2 and took the nightcap 8-4 to garner three-out-of-four in their series.

Lustiest blow of the day at Boston was Ted Williams' 12th homer of the year, which landed two-thirds of the way up the right field bleachers in the second game. Ted collected his 11th in the opener. Hank Greenberg kept pace with clouting Ted by blasting his number 12 as well.

Other homers were spanked out by George Metcovitch, Dick Wakefield and Dom DiMaggio as the heavy artillery was rolled out.

Bobby Feller by taming Yanks Saturday racked his third win and fanned eight to raise his season total to 126.

Canada's Phil Marchildon, from Penetanguishene, Ont., cooled Browns for the A's yesterday, letting them down with but five hits after Denny Galehouse hurled steady seven-hit ball for Browns in the opener.

Clouting Charley Keller was the big gun as Yanks collected their solitary win of the week-end, smashing his 13th homer with two on in the ninth to climax a five-run rally by the Bombers.

"Tombstone" Match Won By Art MacKenzie

Art MacKenzie was declared winner of the "Tombstone" match competition played Saturday afternoon at the Charlottetown Golf Club. Runner-up was "Pud" Beer.

In the Sweepstakes competition Pud led a lengthy field when he carded a low gross of 74. In second position was M. Dowling with a 77. Low net in the Sweepstakes was won by Art MacKenzie with a 69.

The results of the Sweepstakes competition follow:

	Gross	Net
Pud Beer	74	70
M. Dowling	77	71
Joe Mahar	78	72
Doug Saunders	78	70
Art MacKenzie	78	69
Alan MacMillan	81	71
R. Bagnall	85	75
Jack Hellofs	86	76
Andy Likely	86	74
R. Peppin	88	73
R. Jenkins	89	75
M. Bagnall	91	74
Dr. W. MacDonald	92	74
J. Coles	96	74
F. Acorn	101	84
J. R. Kelso	102	75
A. Wilson	105	76
B. MacNeill	107	77

Would Meet Champ On Winner Take All Basis

MONTREAL, June 9 — (CP) — Gus (Pell) Mell, who held Dave Castilloux to a 10-round draw last Friday night, said today he is challenging the Canadian welterweight boxing champion to a 15-round bout on a winner-take-all basis.

Mell said he would leave the date selection up to Castilloux but that the bout must be for the title — with or without sanction of the Canadian Boxing Federation.

LIVERPOOL, N. S., June 9—(CP) —Middleton Cardinals and Liverpool Larrupers battled to a scoreless draw here Saturday in the first game of a scheduled exhibition baseball doubleheader. The second match was rained out in the first inning.

Lefty Letteri, Middleton's import from the United States, allowed the Larrupers no hits. Bruce Thorburne, hurling for the south shore squad, held the visitors to seven hits.

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