



If a ball player minus four toes is considered sufficiently intact for service in the United States Army, it is natural to assume that a player with only two toes would be even more so.

Brooklyn's minus-two-toes case is the 29-year-old rookie outfielder Hal Peck whom they bought from the Milwaukee club of the American Association at the conclusion of last season.

You undoubtedly noticed the other day when Red Rufing of the Yankees was taken in the draft for non-combatant duty, despite the absence of four toes.

But there is a difference in the cases of Rufing and Peck which must be taken into account to a knowledge of who they are likely to be bad-ly in need next year. Rufing has the broken toes on his right foot, the so-called "broken toe" which is a common injury among professional ball players.

Speaking of Rufing and Peck brings up the interesting question of can an outfielder perform the duties of his trade on eight toes rather than the usual ten?

Let's consider Rufing first. Rufing played the outfield with a semi-pro club in his youth, but it was prior to the time he lost most of the toes off one foot in a mugging accident.

After his injury Rufing promptly turned to pitching so that he would not have to run around chasing flies on a fore-shortened foot. As it worked out it was a lucky accident, with Rufing subsequently becoming one of the best right-handers in baseball. Certainly the loss of his toes has not impaired Rufing's ability as a pitcher.

In the case of Peck there has been no indication so far that he has any special problem of the toes. He was hit in the foot by a ball which hit his left foot that hoisted him into crutches for several weeks in the fall. The Dodgers must have known about it when they made the deal with the Brewers for Peck shot himself accidentally early in September, and he was not purchased until early in October. Peck himself has said that he doesn't even miss the toes.

Detroit's Johnny Mowers is leading the race for the Vezina Trophy this season, but the most talked of goals in the major league still is Boston's Brimsek.

Each hockey season the inevitable happens and goalies are compared with net stars of bygone days. This season, changed as it is in many ways, is no different in that respect.

The observers have got around to the comparisons and Brimsek, really one of the great custodians of his or any other net, has been named for helping the Bruins out of an early rut and up to their customary position of eminence in the ranking.

WEST ROYALTY WOMAN'S INSTITUTE. The regular monthly meeting of West Royalty Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Athol Roberts with fifteen members and three visitors present. The newly appointed Pres. Mrs. Wm. MacKay presided.

Meeting opened with the Creed in unison. Collection amounted to \$1.39 and one member paid the annual fee. Minutes of last meeting were read and accepted.

The school comm. gave their report and were met by the members of the school a kettle, if obtainable, a pk. of Kleenex to be given to the scholars by the teacher when needed, and books to hang the children's towels on.

One turtle neck sweater, one pr of Seaman's long stockings, and one pr of women's socks were handed in this month. Nine Christmas boxes were sent to the boys of the district serving in Canada and Newfoundland. Six were previously sent to the boys overseas.

New committees appointed were: Red Cross, Mrs. Gordon Stetson for next six months. Program for next month, Mrs. Prizel and Mrs. Gates and Lunch Mrs. Charles Hurry and Mrs. Stanley Hurry.

It was decided each member would answer next roll call with usual collection and one or more 12" x 12" essay patch work squares for a quilt. Program consisted of a reading by Mrs. Russell Bell and a concert by Mrs. Bell and Mrs. Vernon Burke, won by Mrs. Charles Hurry.

Next meeting to be held at the home of Mrs. Gordon Stetson on Jan. 27th. Meeting closed with the "Lullaby" Anthem. The meeting was presided by the committee in charge.

SPORTING NEWS

Strong R.A.F. Team Pull First Win Of League By Defeating P.W.C. 3-1

Navy	P	W	L	D	F	A	P	Pts
Y.M.C.A.	3	2	0	1	15	9	5	5
R.A.F.	2	2	0	1	10	11	5	5
P.W.C.	2	1	1	0	9	5	2	2
S.D.U.	1	0	0	1	1	1	2	2
Army	3	0	2	0	7	2	0	0

A Royal Air Force team, showing plenty of power last night defeated Prince of Wales 3-1 in a City Hockey League match, played at the Forum.

But it was a rugged and fast encounter all through the play. The Air Force team took the offensive right at the start of the first period. Moreside was sent to the cooler for tripping of hockey.

Three seconds after the 12-minute mark Moreside, P.W.C. forward got the first marker of the game. Starting a loose puck inside the R.A.F. blue line the college marksman put the P.W.C. team one up as he lifted a 10-foot shot into the R.A.F. net.

R.A.F. turned back two close chances by Bagnall as the second period got underway but the Air Force team finally tied the score as Poulain beat Cantwell in the P.W.C. cage to make it 1-1 at 1:15 of the period was played as Levi, Air Force forward went to the cooler.

John McDonald tells pa's just how he happened to switch over from Docger Secretary to Vice President of Brooklyn's Montreal farm.

"Branch Rickey called me into his office the other day, and when I walked in he was sitting at the desk with his hand in a drawer. "He looks at me and says, 'now, John, about that Canadian club—well, I thought he was talking about a couple of bottles of liquor Larry MacPhail may have left over, so I says, 'I'll take it.' Imagine my surprise when I found out he meant the Montreal job."

There are now 32 past and present world boxing champions in the American armed forces. Starting with five heavies, Joe Louis, Jack Dempsey, Jim Braddock, Max Baer and Gene Tunney, and going all the way down to Small Montona and Jackie Jurich, the lightweight bosses.

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Following are the different skings that will be in action: Hon. T. A. Campbell vs. W. C. Davies. D. B. Bishop vs. C. G. Duffy. P. W. Turner vs. I. Spillet.

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Following are the results: J. F. McLeod, 8; J. A. Fraser, 7. R. O. Stoddard, 11; W. W. Lord, 4. L. B. MacMillan, 6; A. W. Hyndman, 5.

Today four matches will be played in this competition with the following schedule, starting at 4 p.m.: A. G. Putnam vs. R. O. Stoddard. H. V. Winchster vs. J. F. McLeod. W. A. Spillet vs. A. W. Hyndman. Dr. E.S. Giddings vs. J.A. Fraser.

Anyone who remembers Canada's part in the 1923 Olympic games will remember a towering sculler with Toronto Argonauts, Mark Thompson.

Thompson carries the same impressive figure now, 10 years later, as he swings along in front of the R.C.A.P. overseas band in its many appearances in London and provincial cities and towns.

The weight and power that gave him a place on that 1923 Olympic team and made him a good rugby football player with Argos in later years make him a giant among men.

Thompson, whose last major athletic achievement was winning the Canadian light-heavyweight boxing championship in 1933, is a warrant officer in the Air Force.

Sgt. Bill Dempster says it with machine-gun slugs instead of last year's wings. This former star with St. Catharines, Ont., and Toronto lacrosse club is a wireless operator-air gunner mounting a gun post in a four-engined Stirling bomber, carrying out patfinders work, an important part of a bombing raid.

Sgt. Dunc Gallo, of Montreal does his stuff with bullets instead of fists. A good featherweight boxer around Montreal a few years ago, he's moved up in the divisions to a gun turret on a Wellington in an R.C.A.P. squadron. His crew skipper is a former football and hockey player at the University of Alberta, Sgt. Al (Lorty) Grant.

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