

GUARDIAN SPORTING NEWS

Respective Ability Of Diminutive Shortstops Cause Of Much Argument

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NEW YORK, May 5—(AP)—The smallest shortstops in baseball are causing the biggest argument over the re-arguing of Phil Rizzuto of the New York Yankees and Harold Gress of Brooklyn Dodgers.

Rizzuto is a Brooklyn boy who worked his way up through the Yankees farm system by way of Kansas City. He is 22 years old, five feet six inches tall and weighs 160 pounds.

Gress is a native Kentuckian and became a star at Louisville before being purchased for a reported \$50,000 by the Dodgers prior to the 1940 season. He is five feet 10 inches tall and weighs 160 pounds.

Each has won a big following who wouldn't budge a point in any debate over their merits and the figures haven't been much help to now.

Rizzuto has looked brighter in the field and Gress has been a little stronger at the plate.

The Yankee rookie, acclaimed the best player in the minor leagues last year, has sparked his club to the top of the American League in double plays with 24. In 20 games up till today he has made only six errors. His batting mark of .272 was better than any other Yankee infielder except Gordon.

Gress has made a dozen errors in 20 games and the Dodgers completed only 16 double killings. On the other hand he has batted .284. Peeewe has proved particularly pesky about coasting along for several innings and then supplying a vital hit in a late-inning rally.

This is too early in the careers of each to place one on a pedestal above the other, but it may be that when a choice can be made the deciding factor will be durability. On this basis Rizzuto may have a big edge.

Softball Meeting Wednesday

A meeting of all those interested in the formation of a softball league for the coming months will be held at the Sporting Club on Wednesday night at 7 o'clock sharp. It is expected that the Air Force will enter a squad in the proposed league and all those interested are asked to make it a point to be on hand.

(Sgd.) JACK McCOURT

Feller Hurls Three-hit Ball To Lead Cleveland To 11th Straight Victory

NEW YORK, May 5—(AP)—Cleveland Indians stretched their victory string to 11 straight today with a ninth-inning 2-1 American League victory over Washington Senators behind the three-hit pitching of Bobby Feller.

The Cleveland game was the fifth consecutive victory for the Tribe's ace, who struck out 12 batters.

Facing a Washington lineup revised by Manager Bucky Harris to put the maximum number of left-handed hitters against him, Feller pitched deliberately most of the way, but wildness overtook him periodically and he issued seven bases on balls.

Banquet for Junior Royals This evening

Junior Royals, Maritime Junior Champions for the past three years will be guests at a banquet at Old Spain Tea Rooms tonight at 6.30. Tonight's affair is an annual one and is usually the final get-together of the youngsters until another season rolls around.

All members of last year's team and club officials are asked to make it a point to attend tonight's function.

Gill Says Illness Had Big Part In Sydney's Downfall In Series

MONTREAL, May 5—(CP)—Coach Bill Gill of Sydney Millionaires said tonight that illness had played a part in the defeat of his team by Regina Rangers in the Allan Cup finals.

"If my team had played the Rangers one more game, we would have been beaten far worse than at was," he added. Millionaires dropped the final game 3-0 after extending what was to have been a five-game series to six games.

"We started out auspiciously enough winning the first two games, but then the change of air and water really put our boys under," he said. "You can take my word for it, Walton, Snowdon, Van Daele, McCreedy and Kowelnak were ill for the rest of the series."

By way of showing that he wasn't trying to give an alibi, Gill then swung into high praise for the young Rangers, who were passing through Montreal on his way back to Sydney, with President John McLeod of the Millionaires, and Goalie Bill Dickie, Defenceman Ray Powell and Forward Jack Atchison.

Gill said he thought Scotty Cameron, "Sugar" Henry and Hermie Gruhn were good enough for any appeared to have the stamina to pick up speed as Millionaires lost it.

John McLeod figured that the playoff itinerary had a great deal to do with Sydney's defeat. He said Millionaires had had six weeks of almost steady train travel by the time the series ended. Gill thought that another contributing factor was the high temperatures in the West.

"If the finals had been scheduled two weeks earlier, we would have won," he said. "As it was, the temperature was 85 the day of the last game, and we had left all our ginger somewhere down here in Eastern Canada."

"In the first two games we lost all the reports agreed that we had the best of the play. But our forwards couldn't shoot and I don't think either Snowdon or Van Daele dealt out more than one solid body-check from the time we passed Winnipeg."

Gill refused to do any guessing about the future. He said at least some of his team wouldn't be back next season, but the subject of replacements wouldn't be dealt with until later.

Jack Fritz will remain here for a few days before returning to Sydney, while the remainder of the team, with the exception of Walton who had gone to Kirkland Lake, dropped off at Winnipeg and will be passing through here in a few days.

Baseball Results

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Washington	001 000 000—1 3 2
Cleveland	000 000 101—2 7 1
Chase and Ferrell; Feller and Hemley.	
Philadelphia	000 300 010 01—5 10 1
Chicago	000 200 011 00—4 12 2
McCrabb and Hayes; Smith, Appleton and Tresh.	
New York	000 102 000—3 6 1
Detroit	005 002 00X—7 6 1
Cometz, Stanceau, Branch and Dickey; Bridges and Tebbetts.	

Rookie hurls Cardinals to 10th straight

NEW YORK, May 5—(AP)—Southpaw Ernie White became the fifth member of Manager Billy Southworth's sensational rookie pitching corps to crash the victory column today when he held the Braves to five hits while St. Louis Cardinals gained their 10th straight National League triumph, 5-1.

White, the eighth different starter the Cards have used since they were last defeated, by the Reds, 3-2, on April 24, kept the Braves scoreless until the eighth inning when, with two out, Maxie West got a pinch-hit home run.

The Red Birds made all their 11 hits, including Enos Slaughter's third homer of the season against starter Dick Erickson, who suffered his fourth straight setback. Erickson gave way to Lefty Art Johnson after the eighth, when Slaughter drove the ball out of the park with Johnny Hopp on base.

The league-leading Cards opened their scoring in the fourth inning, when Jimmy Brown singled and went to third as the ball went between Geen Moore's legs and rolled to the fence. Terry Moore popped out, but Brown scored on Don Padgett's single.

After Frank Crespi connected in the fifth and went to second on a passed ball, Brown scored him with the second of his three singles. A pass to Slaughter and Gus Mancuso's hit-and-run double gave the Cardinals a third run in the sixth.

REMEMBER WHEN

(By The Canadian Press)

Harry Steele, old-timer of Ontario baseball, died at Winnipeg four years ago today, at the age of 91. Steele was a member of the Guelph Maple Leafs who won a world championship in the 60's. Steele's death left only one surviving member of the team, Rev. Ephraim Stevenson of Guelph.

MUST BE OVER 20

EDMONTON, England—(CP)—Girls under 20 are not reliable for ambulance drivers at first-aid posts, said the town council, deciding not to employ them on this duty, unless over that age.

Baseball's Big Six

(By The Associated Press)

BATTING
(Three leaders in each league)

	G	AB	R	H	Pct.
TRAVIS, Senators	15	61	13	30	.492
BEATH, Indians	17	55	10	24	.436
HAUGHTER, Cards	18	75	17	30	.400
CRONIN, Red Sox	15	53	14	21	.396
ITZEN, Phillies	19	69	12	26	.377
JURGES, Giants	18	64	11	24	.375

HOME RUNS

National League—Camilli, Dodgers 7; American League—York, Tigers 6; Gordon, Yankees 6.

RUNS BATTED IN

National League—Camilli, Dodgers 19; Nicholson, Cubs 19. American League—Keller, Yankees 25; Gordon, Yankees 25.

ANNUAL MAY 31

MONTREAL, May 5—(CP)—R. N. Watt, President of the Canadian Lawn Tennis Association, has announced that the Association will hold its annual meeting here May 11.

BOWLING RESULTS

HOLY NAME BOWLING LADIES LEAGUE FINAL

Last night on the Holy Name Alleys the Royals were declared ladies bowling champions when they defeated the Pixies in three straight games in the best out of five game series. Although defeated much credit goes to the Pixies as they were the leaders at the end of schedule having won ten straight games only to be defeated in the finals. Hard luck Pixies and congratulations to the Royals.

Royals:—
E. Dougan 197 122 130
P. Lawlor 115 146 113
P. Duffy 229 156 187
M. Hillier 85 184 190
P. Rice 177 151 118
Total—2300.

Pixies:—
D. Coyle 162 101 184
F. Flynn 197 67 127
I. Curley 153 171 178
H. Coyle 200 125 140
K. Curley 98 144 85
Total—2142.

High single P. Duffy 229.
High three F. Duffy 572.

First Game Semi Finals

Five Aces:—
R. Bradley 317 194 209

NATIONAL LEAGUE

St. Louis	000 111 020—5 11 0
Boston	000 000 010—1 5 1
White and Mancuso; Erickson, Johnson and Berres, Masl.	

ANNOUNCES SITE OF PLAY

NEW YORK, May 5—(AP)—The United States Golf Association today announced the 1942 Open Championship will be held at the Interlachen Country Club, Montecito, around the middle of June.

A's Win In 11th

In Chicago, rookie Lester McCrabb pitched and batted Philadelphia Athletics to a 5-4, 11-inning victory over the White Sox.

Pete Suder singled in the 11th and scored on McCrabb's single. The rookie pitcher scattered 12 hits.

TOO MANY REPORTS

LONDON—(CP)—Described as the "curse of paper," Lord Milne, an army chief of the First Great War, says "forms, reports and returns are mounting in a way which is not fair to the army."

Use Minard's for dandruff.



Russell T. (Lena) Blackburne, new manager of the Toronto club, who was given a warm reception not only April 30, at the Baseball Boosters' banquet, but at the inaugural in Toronto on Thursday when the 1941 Leafs will play Baltimore. The veteran of veterans is no stranger to old-time Toronto fans. Several times during the past he managed Toronto clubs and for that matter played here. For the last few years he has been a coach and general adviser to Conny Mack of the Athletics, that venerable mentor being largely responsible for his return to the Queen City in a managerial role. A hard working industrious person himself, "Lena" should get the best out of his athletes.

J. Callaghan 236 177 183

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A. McCloskey	180 230 228
G. McDonald	217 265 197
E. Robin	188 209 269
Total—3299.	

Old Timers:—
E. Doucette 200 189 206
T. Creighton 196 196 225
V. Coyle 238 176 185
P. McQuaid 192 232 173
Rev. Dr. McMahon 312 318 241
Total—3369.

High single Rev. Dr. McMahon.
High three Rev. Dr. McMahon.
Five Aces—1-2 point.
Old Timers—4 1-2 points.

Tonight at 8:30:—

International League semi-final, Davis & Frasers vs. Master Barbers.

CHTOWN ALLEYS

Mixed League—Semi Finals

Last night on the Charlottetown Alleys the Cubs came through the semi finals series to enter finals in Mixed League against the Tanks who finished in first place in the league. These two teams meet this week for championship. These two teams will bowl series of 15 points.

Cubs:—
J. Poulton 188 191 238
M. Burke 191 128 177
E. Callaghan 209 208 261
M. Stull 239 160 202
C. Artz 165 262 198
T. Tulle 182 157 193
Total—3204.

Tigers:—

G. Nelson	172 180 103
S. Smith	142 166 145
E. Smith	199 197 157
E. Mitchell	198 195 168
Low Score	165 191 198
L. Corrigan	184 148 150
Total—2908.	

Ladies high single M. Stull 238.
Ladies high three M. Stull 601.
Gents high single C. Artz 262.
Gents high three E. Callaghan 678.

City League finals to be 7 o'clock

—Prince Grocery vs. Roops Ltd.

Gyro Bowling:—

A. Lewis	164 193 221
J. Hillier	116 213 130
D. A. Murchison	209 132 236
L. Doucette	125 176 202
W. M. MacNeill	175 205 312
High single W. M. MacNeill 312.	
High three W. M. MacNeill 678.	

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By J. R. Williams

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J.R. WILLIAMS

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With — Major Hoopfr

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