

# 82,000 See Opening Of Olympic Games By King George Yesterday

By ALAN HARVEY  
**OLYMPIC STADIUM, Wembley, England, July 29** — (CP) — The Olympic Games were opened today by the King while a scorching sun beat down on the 6,000 athletes and 82,000 spectators.

To the blare of trumpets and waltzy tunes of bands, the King, in a clear voice declared the games open at 4 p.m., in the huge stadium, bedecked with flags for the games, first since before the war.

For 50 minutes the King stood at almost constant salute while athletes of 58 countries streamed past the royal box in the colorful Olympic parade and the spectators sweltered in a burning sun.

Then as the vast stadium became hushed, the King, Queen Elizabeth standing beside him, uttered the traditional words: "I hereby proclaim open the Olympic Games of London celebrating the 14th Olympiad of the modern era."

Seven thousand pigeons were released to whirl aloft, cannon outside the arena thundered a 21-gun salute, and through the east portal raced a tall, blonde athlete carrying the Olympic flame, kindled 12 days before in the village of Olympia, Greece.

The last of the hundreds of runners who had borne it 3,000 miles across Europe circled the red track once, then mounted a platform at the stadium's east end and dipped it into the Olympic peristyle. The crowd loosed a mighty cheer as a yellow flame leaped up, to burn steadily through the 16 days of the games.

**Canadian Legend**  
 The Canadian legend tomorrow stands behind Jimmy O'Brien of Toronto and Ted Haggis of London, Ont., as they take positions in the 100-metre heats. It is the memory of peerless Percy Williams of Vancouver who 20 years ago today electrified the sports world with a thrilling victory in this



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# Toronto Pros Share Opening Golf Honors

**ISLINGTON GOLF CLUB, July 29** — (CP) — Medal honors in the 18-hole qualifying round for the 1948 Millar Trophy, emblematic of the professional match play championship of Canada, were shared by two Toronto pros today at Islington Club, near Toronto.

Lou Cummings of the Toronto club and Gordon Brydson of Mississauga slashed five strokes from par over Islington's long par 73 layout to tie for the medal with 88's.

Both played about the same way, with one-under-par 35's on the first nine and then blazing through the last nine in 33's, four strokes under the carded figure.

Lou Cummings took a bogie five on the last hole, missing a short putt for a chance to take the lead, while Brydson holed a six-footer for a birdie three to gain a tie.

An eagle three on the 530-yard 11th hole was the highlight of the round by Cummings. His card also showed five birdies, but he boled the ninth and 18th holes. Brydson posted eight pars and a birdie on the outgoing nine, then five pars and four birdies coming home.

# N. Y. Giants In Third Straight Shutout Over Cincinnati Reds

By The Canadian Press  
 New York Giants' supposedly inept hurlers, acting up like a bunch of Carl Hubbells, yesterday (Thursday) hung up their third straight shutout over Cincinnati Reds, 5-0, with Dave Koslo tossing seven-hit ball.

Brooklyn Dodgers also stayed in the National League battle with their third straight over St. Louis Cardinals, 9-6, on Roy Campanella and Gil Hodges' homers.

The leading Boston Braves downed Pittsburgh 2-1 and Philadelphia whipped Chicago Cubs 7-4.

The Giant victory was Koslo's second consecutive whitewash job, the Giants' fifth blanking of the opposition in their last eight games, and marked the fourth time in a row a New York flinger has gone the distance. The Giants won all four of the games, too, and moved into undisputed possession of third place.

Big Walker Cooper supplied the punch that enabled Koslo to rack up his sixth victory against five defeats. The catcher poled a homer with the bases loaded to climax a five-run first inning.

Campanella's clout for Brooklyn came with two men on in the first-inning attack on loser Murry Dickson. Then, after the Cards had battled back against Rex Barney to tie the score, Hodges slamed his eighth homer of the year on a 3-0 pitch with a man on base.

Big Bill Voiselle managed to weather several dangerous situations and pitched the Braves to triumph over the Pirates.

Not only did the deliberate Voiselle, who sports number "96" on his uniform shirt, twirl his 11th victory of the season, but he got one of his rare hits and drove in what proved to be the winning run in the second inning.

Little Ralph Caballero paced an 11-hit attack with three safeties that drove in three runs as the Phillies took the rubber game of a three-game series from Chicago.

The Cubs made 15 hits and drove Schoolboy Rowe from the mound in the eighth but they were unable to bunch their safeties, leaving 10 men stranded on the bases. Walt Dubiel relieved Rowe.

# Olympic Sidelights

(By The Canadian Press)  
**OLYMPIC STADIUM, Wembley, England, July 29** — "Canada" was in a 60-country march-past today at opening ceremonies of the 1948 Olympic Games.

Canadian flag-bearer Bob McFarlane of the University of Western Ontario, London, Ont., discovered shortly before the opening that the Union Jack carried the word "Kanada" in bold-black letters on a white border. It was the same flag used in the Berlin games of 1936.

McFarlane stuck a piece of tape over the letter "K".

Elaine Siburn of Victoria, only woman broadjumping entry from the Dominion, today received a novel 20th birthday present—a seat in Wembley Stadium press box for the Olympic Games.

She was advised against participating in the march-past due to a sore leg and she faced the prospect of sitting under a May tree outside the stadium while the colorful ceremony was going on.

She was rescued by Jack Sullivan and Alan Harvey of the Canadian Press and had a ring-side view 100 feet up in the stands.

Praise for the Olympic idea was voiced in speeches at today's opening ceremony in Wembley Stadium by Lord Burghley, chairman of the organizing committee, and Dr. Cyril Garbett, Archbishop of York.

"These games are living proof of this great common bond of sportsmanship that binds the youth of the world together," Lord Burghley said.

In his dedicatory address, Dr. Garbett described the games as "a happy omen for the future."

Sweden tonight defeated Switzerland 6-1 as the Olympic water polo launched competition in the 17-day Olympic Games which were opened by the King this afternoon. Sweden led 3-0 at half-time.

Outside the Stadium here where the 1948 Olympics opened today, Canadian girls arrived at 1 p.m., more than 1½ hours before the march-past, and found their male team-mates sprawled under trees munching box lunches.

At other spots outside the Stadium, athletes from all countries lined up in alphabetic order awaiting the ceremony. All carried picnic lunches but no soft drinks were available to make the 89-degree heat less wearing.

In a rehearsal of the march-past for today's Olympic Games opening ceremony, United States girls noted enviously that Canadian girl competitors were carrying red plastic bags.

So officials had to get busy. Forty-five blue plastic shoulder bags were quickly obtained for the Americans.

# Baseball Standings

**National League**

Boston	W L Pct
Brooklyn	56 37 598
New York	46 41 639
St. Louis	47 43 522
Pittsburgh	44 45 484
Philadelphia	45 49 479
Cincinnati	41 52 441
Chicago	39 54 419

**American League**

Boston	W L Pct
Philadelphia	56 37 602
Cleveland	57 39 594
New York	52 37 584
Detroit	45 47 429
Washington	39 52 429
St. Louis	33 54 379
Chicago	30 61 330

**International League**

Montreal	W L Pct
Newark	57 37 606
Rochester	50 44 532
Toronto	49 47 510
Syracuse	51 51 500
Buffalo	46 47 495
Jersey City	45 51 469
Baltimore	38 55 409

# Sport Echoes From Prince County

The "Big Five" batters of the Summerside Baseball League:

Powell, Red Sox	AB R H Pct
Grant, Red Sox	20 4 10 500
MacMurdo, Legion	26 6 11 423
Carson, R.C.A.F.	29 10 12 414
MacKay, Kinsmen	33 8 13 384
	30 14 15 385

The following are the leaders in Runs Batted In — the boys who make the bingles when the chips are down: 1. Carson, R.C.A.F. 11, 2. Schurman, Red Sox 10; 3. S. Bernard, Legion 9; 4. G. Goy, Kinsmen 8; 5. Oatway, Kinsmen 8; 6. Gallant, Legion 6; Anderson, R.C.A.F. 6.

Leaders in stolen bases — MacKay, Kinsmen 11; Oatway, Kinsmen 9; H. Gallant, Legion 6; Foy, R.C.A.F. 5; MacMurdo, Legion 5; S. Bernard, Legion 5.

Most runs — S. Bernard, Legion 12; Most hits — MacKay, Kinsmen 15; Most walks, Oatway, Kinsmen 6; Phillips, Red Sox 5; Brawley, R.C.A.F. 4; Gaudet, Red Sox 4; Stewart, Kinsmen 4; MacMurdo, Legion 4.

In recent games Bill MacMurdo of the Legion and Bill Brawley of the R.C.A.F. have been making one brilliant catch after another, and now stand out in front of all other ball hawks in the League. So much is this so that whenever a fly ball goes anywhere in the vicinity of these two players, the fans who were hoping for a hit, give up immediately knowing that the batter is a dead pigeon. Clow of the Red Sox and Carson of the R.C.A.F. are also pretty certain to make a killing in the outer gardens, and Pope of the Kinsmen looks like the classiest flycatcher among the Juniors.

We note in the Journal's "Realm of Sport" that the time for registration of our intermediates is drawing near, and that according to Dame Rumor, a fickle jade at best, Coach Charlie Hogan will register five pitchers, namely: Jay Bernard, Cece Powell, Pony Daley, Ray Arsenault and Gil Williams. That would mean eight men to fill the other regular positions, and say, a spare catcher, two utility infielders and two utility outfielders. This seems little enough to go and come on until you consider that in those four extra pitchers you have some excellent utility material. Supposing, for the sake of argument, Arsenault is slated to start a game and Bernard is held in reserve to put out the fire should one develop. In the other three pitchers you have a trio of potential pinch hitters that would be hard to lose. Powell is hitting .500. Daley has an average of .428 and Williams is clipping the pill to the tune of an even .300. Any one of these boys would be bad news for a pitcher if they stepped to the plate when a hit meant a run.

We may be a bit balmy on this subject of pinch hitters, but we do think many a bitterly fought ball game is won by getting a clouter in there at the strategic moment. Now that every pinch hitter does what Cooky Lavagetto did on his first appearance in that role last fall. Sometimes they do what the Cooky did on his second appearance. But if you have reliable sticklers to put in there at the critical moment, it's surprising how many times they will come through.

One of the fans in discussing the selection of the All-Stars said he thought the best players should be picked for the different positions and then the extra men should be selected for their batting strength alone. We've heard worse suggestions. We don't say it's fool-proof, but it has its points. Of course you must have some utility men with known defensive strength too, for besides the possibility of accidents, if the pinch that calls for the pinch hitter comes before the last frame or two, you've got to be able to plug the gap in your defences occasioned by taking a man out of the game, by replacing him with another player about as good defensively.

The Big League ball clubs generally use a good many more than nine players in a ball game. They don't all throw the whole club at their opponents like Leo Durocher, but they use a lot of extras just the same. These spares are not used just to give the boys a chance to get in the game either. They're selected very carefully and each change has a definite purpose behind it. A lot of changes make it mighty tough for us scorers, but it's good baseball.

May we just whisper in closing that we can't vision those All-Stars without MacMurdo on the line-up, granting that he can play only half of the play-off games. MacMurdo is at the peak of his baseball career, both at bat and in the field, and a half loaf of him is better than no bread. At this stage we can picture the Board of Strategy giving us the fishy eye, and hinting that the whole affair is none of our business. We agree. Excuse us, please, and we'll promise never to mention it again.

# Baseball Results

**NATIONAL**

Cincinnati	0
New York	5
St. Louis	6
Brooklyn	9
Pittsburgh	1
Boston	2
Chicago	4
Philadelphia	7

**AMERICAN**

Boston	8
Detroit	1

**INTERNATIONAL**

Montreal	5
Baltimore	6
Syracuse	7
Buffalo	0
Toronto	9
Jersey City	9
Rochester	6
Newark	6

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By Forbes Rhude  
 Canadian Press Business Editor  
 Canadians continue to ring the cash registers with their dollars, and if there's any sign of lessening in their over-all demand for goods it's hard to detect.

There are shifts in the kinds of goods bought and important shifts in the places to which the dollars go, but still they are being earned and spent.

One of the most notable trends is the amount that is going to chain stores — and department stores — as compared with the smaller increases going to the individual conducting his own business.

In May, for instance, the Bureau of Statistics shows dollar sales of chain food stores up 25 per cent over May last year, but those of independent stores up only one per cent. Earlier months showed the same picture.

To a lesser degree, chains in other lines than foods also show greater increases than independents.

Rising food prices affect other lines, taking away money which otherwise might be spent on them. Nevertheless, most lines still show increases.

Exceptions are radios and musical instruments, which have been declining since January. Jewelry has been dropping for more than a year.

Bureau of Statistics figures do show a drop in May dollar sales of the wholesale trade, which are three per cent below May last year, but there are too many conflicting factors to draw a trend from this. Purchases of the chain food stores, for instance, don't show in this sampling of wholesale business; and neither do a number of other lines, including much clothing, carried by chain and department stores.

# Radios, Jewelry Down

Little Danny Lee Stratton, 2, is one of those boys who likes to help grandpa mow the lawn, but often gets too close to the sharp blades. So Joe Vickers, Sr., of Ponca City, Okla., built a little seat for Danny atop the lawn mower. Now Danny really helps, but runs no risk of getting mowed himself.

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