Gunder Haegg, the vaunted Swedish runner, is supposed to be in the United States for goodwill reasons, as much as anything else but if that is so, he hasn't made a very good start.

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First-day interviews revealed that he didn't like New York city, that he didn't like the heat, that he preferred a vacant lot to Columbia University's fine track. In addition, he managed to get in two advance alibis on top of the one already given a good play in the papers, viz: sea legs that have set him back so far that he claims he'll need seven weeks' conditioning to return to top shape.

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The new alibis are: (1) "I am past my peak. After all, I am 24." (2) He prefers the shorter middle distance to the longer ones.

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As to alibi No. 1 this is the first time we've ever heard of anybody but the winner of a baby contest being past his peak at 24; as to alibi No. 2, can it be that Haegg is already aware of the fact that Gil Dodds is not nearly as formidable an opponent as the great Greg Rice? Incidentally, Rice will never see 24 again, but we haven't heard him singing any laments yet.

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Haegg also says he "will be a sportsman" and compete in at least one race at the National A.A.U. meet. In fact, he is "determined" he will do this.

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Inasmuch as it was this particular meet that was the No. 1 consideration in getting him to the States, and in view of the fact that he had already signified his intention of taking part in it, keeping the greement should be no great strain on his sportsmanship.

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As for being "determined" to take part. That was determined for him last week when the A.A.U.'s Mr. Ferris spoke right out and said the Swede had better be there on this particular occasion, or it wouldn't be any use showing up on subsequent occasions. He'd find himself under suspension.

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That Haegg is a great runner and a real champion we have no doubt. When a man knocks off victories and records as steadily as he has done during the past couple of years it's no longer a coincidence or a fluke.

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However, in times like these when anything in the way of genuine international sportsmanship is to be cultivated, we do think he could have made a more diplomatic entrance onto the American scene.

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The Detroit Tigers, regardless of their surprisingly high standing at the moment, are having their ups and downs, as witness their three straight losses at Washington over a recent week-end, but providing they retain the present personnel in its entirety they should have more ups than downs from here in. The reason? Rudy York. The big Indian seems to be definitely on the way now. During the past two weeks he has put more than 50 points on his batting average, but what's more important, he has slammed a couple of home-runs to left-field at Griffith stadium, indicating that he is pulling his shots as of old. If he is, then the Tigers' biggest problem will be solved. They've been getting their hits—they're second in the league in team batting—but they haven't been getting around, only little Jimmy Bloodworth coming through with first-class proficiency when men have been on base. They need a regular long-distance walloper to back up their fine pitching.

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True while York is climbing, Pinky Higgins' average is falling off, but even a Greenberg-over-York stalwart like yours truly will admit that Rudy, at his best, is a much more valuable man than Pinky. The records prove that.

Sport Shorts From Britain

By Louis V. Hunter
Canadian Press Staff Writer

LONDON, June 13 — (CP) — When they're not in the air beating up targets in France or shepherding convoys through the English Channel, many pilots of the Canadian Fighter Wing likely as not can be found on tennis courts around their station in southern England. The sport has became a popular pastime for them...

At one of their stations they have the use of three courts, one red clay and two ashphalt...in a burst of hot weather balls and racquets were brought out and some of the boys showed some good early season form...

Two of the wings intelligence officers were the first out, FO. Joe Lyle of the City of Oshawa Squadron and PO. Monty Berger of the Wolf Squadron...Berger formerly worked as a newspaper reporter in Quebec City...Lyle worked in the C.P.R. Hotels in western Canada, particularly Banff...

There is keen rivalry in the air and on the ground between Flt. Lts. Hugh Godefroy and Deane MacDonald, two Toronto flight commanders in the Wolf Squadron ...In the air MacDonald has the edge - - he has destroyed five enenmy aircraft against Godefroy's four...But on the ground, when the pair take a little time out for tennis, Godefroy may have a slight edge, aided by a cannonball serve...Two other Toronto pilots who have been turning out are F.O.'s R. D. (Dagwood) Philip (207 Strathmore Blvd.) and Jack Rae (760 Spadina Ave.) ...Both fly in the Oshawa Squadron under Sqdn. Ldr. R. W. (Buck) McNair, D.F.C. of North Battleford, Sask....

PO. D. J. (Bull) Bullock, one of the biggest pilots in the Red Indian Squadron, has been turning out for a set or two with the squadron adjutant, FO. Claude Angus of Marshall, Sask... Bullock is from Montreal.

The well-known Halifax athlete, Sqdn. Ldr. Bud Malloy, D.F.C., visited the wing to renew friendships and played a few sets with the former McGill athlete and football player, Flt. Lt. Cam McArthur, now M.O. of the Oshawa outfit.

One of the few leading professional boxers who have earned the right to wear the half-wing of an air gunner in the R.A.F. is Stafford Barton, middleweight champion of Jamaica...He has just completed his air gunner's operational training and hopes soon to be taking part in raids against the Axis... Twenty-year-old son of a Jamaica newspaper editor, he completed the first part of his training in Canada.

Daisy Ferguson of Belfast, Irish woman golf champion of 1935 and an international lacrosse player, now is a junior commander in the A.T.S. in charge of vehicle reception station in northwest England...

LUCKY ROOKIE RIDERS

Two apprentice riders, Bobby Reeves and Chalmer Basham, romped off with jockey honors at the 19 day Churchill Downs meeting. Reeves rode 27 winners and Basham piloted 18.

SPORTING NEWS

Pirates Break Slump To Win And Tie Cardinals

NEW YORK, June 13 — (AP) — In as weird a doubleheader as the fans had witnessed all season, Pittsburgh Pirates today jerked out of a batting lethargy to win the opener, 10-3, in a wild hitting spree and then held the Cardinals to a 12-inning, 4-4 tie in the nightcap, called on account of darkness at St. Louis.

In the two games, which consumed five hours and 51 minutes; there were 52 hits, including 11 doubles, two triples and one home run. Of the total the Cards collected 27 hits, eight doubles and two triples.

Brooklyn Dodgers had to battle to keep from dropping a doubleheader to Boston Braves, but managed to snare a 3-2 victory in the second game after losing the opener, 4-3, in Brooklyn.

New York Giants whipped Philadelphia Phillies 6-2 behind Hubbell's seven-hit hurling in the first game of a doubleheader, but lost the second 6-3 as the Phillies rallied for four runs in the ninth inning here.

At Chicago, after humbling Chicago Cubs 10-6 on a 20-hit attack in the first game of a doubleheader before 28,557, Cincinnati Reds could get only seven blows from Big Bill Lee and lost the afterpiece, 4-1.

Saturday, St. Louis Cardinals squeezed across a lone sixth-inning run to defeat Pittsburgh Pirates 1-0. Brooklyn Dodgers dropped a close decision, with Boston nosing them out 2-1.

Cincinnati Reds climbed close to second place by defeating Chicago 6-5, taking two extra innings to do it. Philadelphia took a big jump in their sixth place duel with New York Giants, sweeping both halves of a doubleheader 3-2 and 4-3 to go two games ahead of the Giants.

Athletics Take Doubleheader From New York Yankees

NEW YORK, June 13 —(AP)— The Athletics took both ends of a doubleheader from the first-place New York Yankees today before a crowd of 32,117 in Philadelphia.

An old fashioned squeeze bunt by Jojo White that caught the Yaukee infield napping in the eighth inning with three on and two out gave the A's the opener, 6-3. Timely hitting by outfielder 30-year-old Jim Tyack, up from Little Rock of the southern associaton, coupled with effective pitching by Roger Wolff, won the nightcap, 3-2.

In Boston, after watching four of his battery mates get a 16-5 pounding from Washington Senators, Tex Hughson hurled a four-hitter against them to give the Red Sox a 7-0 shutout in the nightcap, which was held up for more than an hour by weather.

The Senators pounded a Red Sox pitching quarter for a total of 18 hits in the opening game, during which they were given 13 bases on balls, including 11 by Lefty Ken Chase, who pitched the last four innings.

Detroit Tigers seized sole possession of third place today by taking both ends of a double-header at home from Chicago White Sox, 6-4 and 3-2, before 28,197 spectators second largest 1943 crowd at Briggs stadium.

At Cleveland, battling on the brink of the league cellar, Cleveland Indians rallied in the 10th inning to take the nightcap of a doubleheader against St. Louis Browns 2-1 after losing the opener 3-1.

Saturday New York Yankees, looking like the power-house Yanks of old, slammed out 18 hits off three Philadelphia pitchers to gain a 14-5 decision. Washington Senators blanked Boston 1-0 in a pitcher's duel.

Detroit Tigers made five hits good for as many runs for a 5-3 victory over the third-place Chicago White Sox. Cleveland Indians went down 7-6 before Philadelphia in 11 innings.

Baseball Results

SUNDAY'S GAMES
NATIONAL

Pittsburgh 10; St. Louis 3.
Pittsburgh 4; St. Louis 4.
Boston 4; Brooklyn 3.
Boston 2; Brooklyn 3.
Philadelphia 2; New York 6.
Philadelphia 6; New York 3.
Cincinnati 10; Chicago 6.
Cincinnati 1; Chicago 4.

AMERICAN

New York 3; Philadelphia 5.
New York 2; Philadelphia 3.
Washington 16; Boston 5.
Washington 0; Boston 7.
Chicago 4; Detroit 6.
Chicago 2; Detroit 3.
St. Louis 3; Cleveland 1.
St. Louis 1; Cleveland 2.

INTERNATIONAL

Toronto 0; Newark 6.
Toronto 5; Newark 1.
Montreal 10; Baltimore 9.
Montreal 6; Baltimore 7.
Syracuse 1; Rochester 8.
Syracuse 1; Rochester 3.
Buffalo 4; Jersey City 3.
Buffalo 3; Jersey City 0.

NATIONAL

Philadelphia 3; New York 2.
Philadelphia 4, New York 3.
Cincinnati 6; Chicago 5.
Pittsburgh 0; St. Louis 1.
Boston 2; Brooklyn 1.

AMERICAN

Washington 1; Boston 0.
Chicago 3; Detroit 5.
New York 14; Philadelphia 5.
St. Louis 7; Cleveland 6.

INTERNATIONAL

Montreal 4; Jersey City 2.
Montreal 2; Jersey City 5.
Toronto 8; Newark 7.
Toronto 4; Newark 5.
Syracuse 3. Rochester 4.
Buffalo 8; Baltimore 18

Armstrong On Shelf For 2 Months

NEW YORK, June 13 — (AP)— The gashed mouth Henry Armstrong was handed in squeaking through to a 10-round decision over Sammy Angott put Hammerin' Hank on the shelf today for two months, thereby causing a major upheaval in the summer lightweight larruping here and on the Pacific Coast.

Before dropping in on promoter Mike Jacobs to pick up his paycheck of about $15,200 for Friday night's work - - Sammy collected in the neighborhood of $12,900 - - Henry kept a date with his physician. The doctor had to cut away considerable scar tissue from inside the buzzsaw's lip and take nine stiches in the wound.

Through his bandaged mouth, Henry explained that his fights in Hollywood with Willie Joyce June 26 and in Portland, Ore., with Jimmy Garrison, July 13, would have to be set back until he is able to work again. At the same time, a scheduled scrap between Armstrong and lightweight champ (New York version) Bob Montgomery had to be taken off the slate, at least temporarily.

Instead, Angott probably will be matched with the winner of the June 26 scramble between Montgomery and Private Johnny Greco of Montreal, which will be the first major afternoon brawl in these parts in 18 years.

Norman Dutton Enlists With Navy

CALGARY, June 12 — (CP) — Norman Dutton, a third son of Mervyn (Red) Dutton, Managing Director of the National Hockey League has joined the Canadian Navy. He enlisted this week and started training immediately.

The famed Calgary red head's two older sons served with the R.C.A.F. Joe Dutton made 15 bomber flights over Germany but failed to return from the 16th. Alex Dutton was reported missing last spring while the National League playoffs were under way.

SICILY APPEARS

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pedusa, 80 miles south of Pantelleria, and the second island to give in to an unparalleled aerial and naval bombardment without a single allied soldier being out ashore, were given in these words:

"Immediately after the surrender of Pantelleria, strong forces of medium and fighter bombers of the northwest African air forces carried out attacks on Lampedusa. Four cruisers and six destroyers, including a Greek destroyer, bombarded the island twice during the night of June 11-12 and at frequent intervals throughout yesterday. Enemy batteries were in action, but ceased fire on being engaged.

"Following a heavy air attack, shortly after 1730 hours (5:30 P.M.) white flags were seen flying on the island and at about 7 o'clock the naval commander sent an officer ashore to negotiate the surrender."

Allied naval forces diverted from Pantelleria to the bombardment of Lampedusa Friday and yesterday were identified officially today as the British cruisers Aurora, Orion, Penelope and Newfoundland, the destroyers Laforey, Loyal, Lookout, Trobridge and Nubian and the Greek destroyer Queen Olga. They were commanded by Rear Admiral C.H.J. Harcourt.

When Lampedusa capitulated, the destroyer Nubian sailed on to Linosa and accepted its surrender. The 140-man garrison at Linosa was virtually equal in size to the Nubian's crew.

The capture of Linosa was told in these words: "A destroyer was off the island of Linosa early this morning. White flags were flying and the surrender was accepted."

Surprise Defenders

The assult on Sicily was led off by heavy bombers which surprised 76 aircraft parked on Castelvetrano airfield and dispersal areas in southwestern Sicily.

Slight and inaccurate anti-aircraft hardly bothered the bombers and no enemy fighters were encountered at all. Numerous fires and explosions were left among the enemy planes.

The bombers also found about 72 enemy aircraft on Bocca Di Falco field near Palermo. Fire and black smoke visible for 25 miles poured from the airdrome and a building, and photographs showed many of the grounded planes were destroyed.

Medium bombers raided the third target, Milo airfield near Trapani, dropping bombs among hangars and administration buildings. Escorting fighters saw several enemy fighters but there was no combat.

EYEWITNESS

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mand be made for unconditional and immediate surrender on pain of a prompt resumption of the bombing and bombardments. He also instructed the boat to withdraw if the Italians showed any fight and in any case to withdraw before 9 p.m. lest Allied bombers, due at that hour failed to get the cancellation signal.

Several ships, including the cruiser Penelope, departed on other missions before our boat went in with a sheet from the bed of the Captain, Lt.-Cmdr. A. George Forman, made into a white flag and hoisted at the masthead of our destroyer. Another sheet doubled, was put on a pole for the use of the boat.

The destroyer then sped directly to the harbor mouth and lowered the launch.

The boat was manned by eight happy seamen commanded by Lieut. Corbett, 26. Peter Beach, 18, of Maidenhead, handled the tiller while I and a British army movie photographer went as passengers.

A white flag fluttered from a crude staff on the point beside the breakwater.

An Italian boat, its battle flag swaying idly at half-mast, rowed by two seamen and containing a snappy Italian marine officer and naval officer, both armed with pistols came alongside the launch.

Brief Parley

The marine called, "follow please" and led the way through the boom defences. Corbett hopped nimbly ashore and smartly returned the salute given by a gray-bearded, patriarch. He stood on a landing platform surrounded by a little knot of nondescript Italian soldiers, sailors and marines.

"Are you the Governor?" the Lieutenant asked.

In badly broken English the gray-bearded man replied, "'No, Segundo."

"Do you want to surrender?" the Lieutenant asked.

"Si, si si," replied the Italian vehemently. "We take you to Governor 15 minutes distance."

"You jolly well will not," said the Lieutenant. "He's the one who wants to surrender so let him come here or I am prepared to accept an unconditional surrender from you. If you do not accept the attack will be resumed."

The Italian shrugged and plucked his long curly beard like an old testament prophet and rejoined, "very well, I no choice—Governor's English poor anyhow."

The Lieutenant signalled the destroyer and went out to bring the landing craft inside. The Italian gestured with his hand and the troops, grimy, weary men in dirty green uniforms began clambering from their battered but still effective shore fortifications, dragging the guns they had trained on us during the parley. Through the rubbled ruins of the town they marched to assemble on the open square before a 20-foot cross a memorial to the first Great War.

POPE APPEALS

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discipline and calm, thus contributing invaluable support to the tranquility and support of all in the social family."

Turning to the war, Pope Pius said:—

"The sums of money which the charity of the faithful puts at our disposal are not set apart for nor do they go to sustain the war but to dry the tears of the widows and orphans, to console families anxious and sorrowing for their dear ones away or missing, to succor the suffering of the poor and needy. .

Insidious Campaign

"We are conscious of the falsity of what the enemies of God are insidiously circulating in order to disturb the workers and the people, and from the hardships of the life they endure draw an argument against faith and religion which indeed is the sole comfort and hope which upholds man upon earth in the hour of sorrow and misfortune.

"The church does not fear the light of truth . . When the circumstances of the times and human passions will permit or call for the publication of documents not yet published concerning the constant activity pursued during this terrible war in favor of peace by the Holy See, which feared neither rebuffs nor opposition, there will appear in more than midday light the stupidity of such accusation. . ."

(On May 25 the Nazi controlled Paris radio broadcast a talk by a Dr. Friedrich which accused the Catholic church of "a crushing responsibility in unleashing the present war." Friedrich charged the Vatican with hostility to Hitler since 1933 and encouraging German Catholics in an open fight against the Nazis. "Thus the war was declared," he said. "A sly warfare on the part of Rome and an unshakable firmness of purpose on the part of Germany."

(A Vatican broadcast two days later denounced the Paris talk as "propaganda" and added "it was not the Vatican which has declared this war and it is not the Catholic church in Germany which has brought this, her fate, upon herself.")

The official English translation of the address, titled "The Church and Labor", was radioed to North America from Vatican City.

In his section dealing with labor, Pope Pius again proclaimed "as fundamental prerequisites of social concord" adequate salaries to care for workers and their families, and provide worthy dwellings, education and old age.

"These conditions of social security should be realized," he said, "if we want society not to be shaken at every season by turbulent ferments and dangerous uprisings but to become tranquil and go forward in harmony, peace and love."

False Prophets

He warned against "false prophets of social prosperity" who disagree with mutual agreements between capital and labor and who "call evil good and good evil."

"Such false prophets would have us believe that salvation must come from a revolution which shall overturn social order and assume a national character," he said. "No, your salvation, beloved sons and daughters, does not lie in revolution.

"Woe to him who forgets that a true national society incorporates social justice and demands a just and fitting sharing by all in the goods of the country.

"Salvation and justice are not to be found in revolution but in an evolution through concord. . .

"We need above all a great righteousness of will and perfect loyalty of purpose and action in the course and regulation of public life as well on the part of the citizens as on the governing authorities; we need a spirit of true concord and brotherhood animating all; superiors and subjects, employers and workers, great and small, in a word in all classes of the people."

Disputes involving stoppages of work in Britain and Northern Ireland during March numbered 152, compared with 100 the previous month. The aggregate working days los. was estimated at 152,000.

Two Criminal Investigation partment women attached to S land Yard were sentenced to months in jail for stealing f empty houses in London.

The Rev. H. W. Janisch of No ampton, criticising disruptive fluences in home life, told the E tist Union Assembly that birth trol was "rank selfishness." He there were few truly Chris homes in Britain and the imm iate hope of an increase was ren

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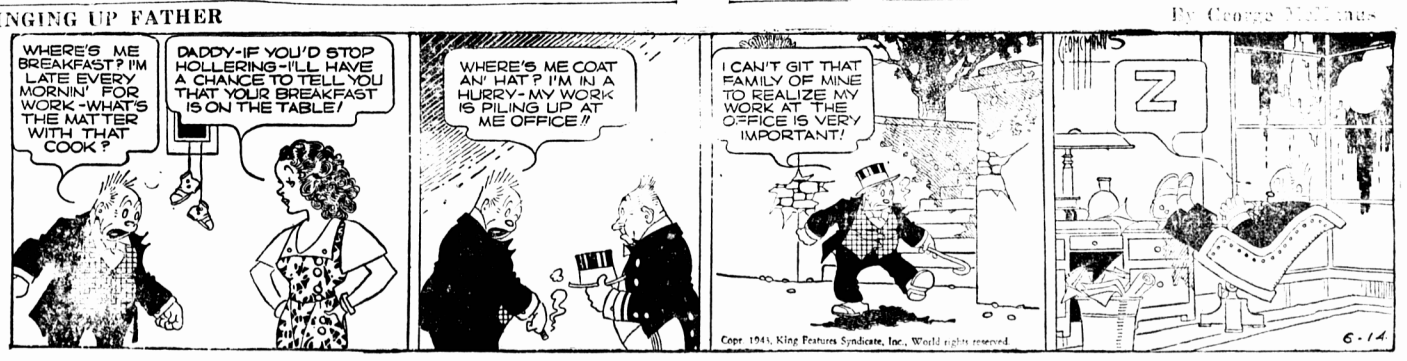
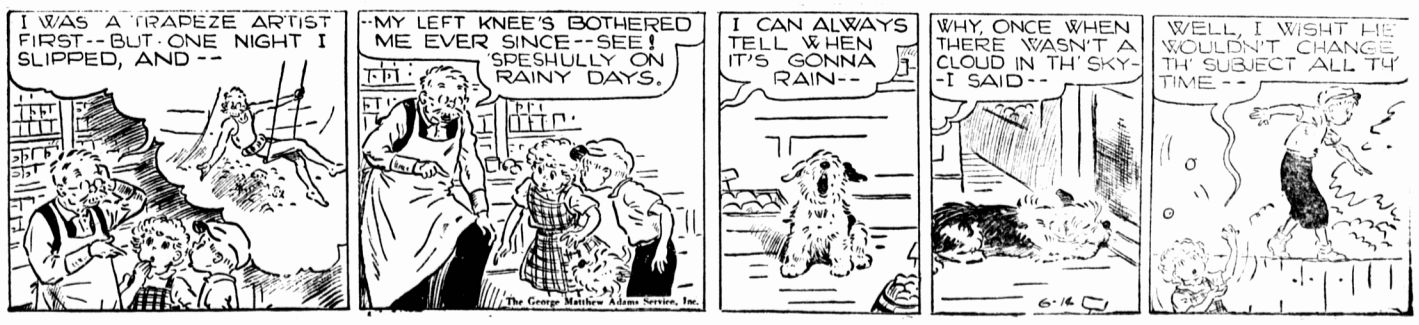
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