

SPORTS FRONT

By PIUS CALLAGHAN

THINGS ARE REALLY LOOKING UP as far as junior baseball is concerned for Charlottetown.

Brian Lewis's Legionaires are just waiting for Memorial Field to be ready for play and they'll be out there in a hurry, getting in their practice sessions. These Legionaires, formed in the middle of last season, developed fast and were a mighty smart outfit by the time playoffs rolled around.

Brian is expecting much greater things in 1959. He figures if his charges could come so fast in such a short time last year, there's no good reason why they shouldn't be a whole lot better in 1959.

BUT LEGIONAIRES are not to be the only juniors turning out in Charlottetown this summer.

Jimmy 'Fiddler' MacDonald, Donnie LeClair and Tom MacFarlane have started action on a second junior squad and things are beginning to look up for them. They called a session the other night and 14 lads turned out, all filled with real enthusiasm. And that's not all that are anxious to perform with the new outfit. 'Fiddler' informs us that at least another half dozen boys couldn't make the first meeting but they sent along their regrets and with them the word that they were keenly interested in playing junior ball.

We talked with 'Fiddler' following that first meeting and he was happy about the way the boys responded to the call. He wasn't making any predictions as to how the new club would measure up but he did say they'd be a hustling little ball club.

LEGIONAIRES' COACH LEWIS is happy too. He expressed satisfaction that the trio of MacDonald, MacFarlane and LeClair were meeting with co-operation from the young players. Lewis sees the competition from a local angle good for both clubs. He, along with the promoters of the new club, are striving for the same thing and that is to produce good young ball players. Legionaires should have the jump this year because they are the more experienced but the new outfit could give last year's provincial champions quite a scare.

However, the matter of who will emerge the winter makes little difference. What does matter is how many boys get in there and play junior ball. There certainly should be plenty for two junior teams, teams that can have a lot of fun all summer while providing entertainment for local baseball fans.

All those responsible for promoting junior ball are deserving of commendation and when the teams get into action the folks should show their appreciation by turning out in large numbers to the games.

Let's make it a really great season.

THIS YOUNG FELLOW Glen Hobbie is turning out to be one of the National League's most promising moundsmen.

Hobbie now is sporting a 4-3 mark after a brilliant three-hit whitewash job of the hard-hitting Cincinnati Redlegs on Wednesday afternoon. Glen appears to be on the way to a great season and his pitching feats of 1959 have Bob Scheffing's Cubs' right in the thick of the senior circuit race. Hobbie's win put the Chicago club over the 500 mark with 16 wins against 15 defeats. That left them a mere 2 1/2 games back of the pace-setting Milwaukee Braves.

THESE CUBS have great-hitting power and are getting some pretty fair pitching chores out of their mound staff. The other afternoon Dave Hillman, with only four previous complete games in the majors, hurled the Scheffing crew to a 3-0 triumph over the Pittsburgh Pirates. In that engagement the Buccaneers were able to garner only two hits off the 31-year-old Hillman and both of these were singles.

Give these Cubs a few more performances like Hobbie's and Hillman's and they could be mighty bothersome. They have plenty of power. In their last six contests they were able to get 36 runs, 11 homers, 11 RBIs and 11 RBIs. That's pretty fair amount and with pitching combined with that kind of power, the Scheffing boys could prove hard to get along with.

WHEN WE WROTE this column St. Louis Cardinals were in the league cellar, 7 1/2 games back of Milwaukee.

This would seem to indicate that the Red Birds were being booted around in great style by the opposition but in these last five days nothing could be farther from the truth. In their last five outings, the Gas House gang amassed a total of 36 runs, yet they only managed three victories in five starts.

Last Sunday the Cardinals scored 18 runs in a doubleheader with the Chicago Cubs, yet they only earned a split. They lost the first 10-9 but came back to take the nightcap 9-8. Saturday they mauled the same Cubs 11-1. Tuesday they outslugged the Cincinnati Redlegs 7-4 and Wednesday they were edged 3-2 by the Milwaukee Braves.

The above performances do not make the Red Birds look like a last place club. They appear to be banging that ball in real earnest and with a little tighter pitching could prove real pennant contenders.

AND SPEAKING of pitching, Larry Jackson lost a tough one to Warren Spahn on Wednesday. Larry hurled a six-hitter and Warren a seven-hitter but Spahn got the nod 3-2. It was the same Mr. Jackson who hurled the Cardinals to victory 11-1 over the Chicago Cubs last Saturday.

Both these performances by Jackson would seem to indicate that Larry is in pretty fair pitching form. So don't figure those Cardinals out of the running just yet.

THE TEMPERMENTAL BILLY LOES is doing all right for himself in Baltimore this season.

The Orioles tried to unload Billy on Washington Senators but the deal was called off because of arm trouble. The result was that Paul Richards was 'stuck' with Loes. And may be it is a good thing for the Baltimore club.

So far this season Billy has looked better than he has for years. He already has saved four games for the ambitious Birds. Perhaps he'll continue to prove that he's valuable property.

HUNTER'S CORNER

Trout Fishing Develops Into Veritable Craze

Trout fishing this season has developed into a veritable craze. One morning recently a city angler decided to try for a few of the big ones hanging out at North River Causeway. He reached the Causeway at 4.00 a.m. as a bitter, chill dawn began to lighten the east. To his surprise he found three cars ahead of him when he fully expected to have the show to himself. As he threaded the line through the leads on the rod two cars arrived from Summerside loaded to the doors. From then on the motor traffic arrived in a steady stream. 40 cars in about 20 minutes. He stopped counting after that but estimated over one hundred fishermen were trying their luck when he pulled out. He told me he hooked a 3 pounder and was nearly pushed into the water before he got it landed. After he creel'd his trout he stood and watched a crowd milling around the spot like a flock of sheep and decided to call it a morning.

Johansson Is Unhappy Over 10 Per Cent Pact

NEW YORK (AP) — Ingemar Johansson, undefeated European heavyweight champion, had to take a 10-per-cent American manager, a former partner of Oss D'Amato, to land his June 25 world title fight with Floyd Patterson, The World Telegram and Sun reported Thursday.

Lester Bromberg of the World Telegram and Sun said that Harry Davidov of Brooklyn had acknowledged the deal. Davidov told Bromberg he had been a partner of D'Amato, manager of heavyweight champion Floyd Patterson, in handling deaf mute fighters Jimmy Anes and Mike Bullock over 10 years ago. "I don't like the 10 per cent contract," Johansson was quoted as saying. "But I wanted the fight and I had to take it." It was reported the agreement called for Davidov to take 10 per cent of Johansson's purse from the Patterson fight. He also would be permitted to select one match for Johansson in each of the next five years and share in all purses.



EXPERT ADVICE

Cadet Captain Clifford Bolton, 18-year-old British Columbia Indian from Lytton, B.C., and a member of Canada's team going to the National Rifle Association Shoot in Bisley, England this

summer, gives his younger brother, Alec, 16, some instruction in the finer arts of shooting. Both are members of the army cadet corps at the St. George Indian

Residential School at Lytton. Clifford lost thumb and two fingers from his left hand in an accident when he was 14, but handicap hasn't bothered his shooting.

Bengals Down Senators; Orioles Nip Athletics 2-1

WASHINGTON (AP) — Eddie Yost and Al Kaline backed up Jim Bunning's four-hit pitching with a home run apiece as they led Detroit to a 4-2 victory over Washington Senators Thursday night.

One of the Washington hits was a solo homer in the fourth by rookie Bob Allison.

The victory was the eighth for the last-place Tigers in their 10 games under new manager Jimmy Dykes.

Yost's home run came in the fifth. The Tigers made it 3-1 off Hal Griggs in the sixth. Lou Berberet singled and scored on Rocky Bridges' double. Larry Osborne's single scored bridges. In the sixth, Jim Lemon singled in Washington's second run. Kaline hit his homer in the seventh.

BALTIMORE (AP) — Pitchers Ned Garver and Bud Daley limited Baltimore to four hits Thursday night as Kansas City Athletics edged the Orioles 2-1.

Roger Maris slammed his eighth home run of the season for the Athletics first marker in the second inning. The Athletics scored their winning run in the seventh on three singles and Oriole catcher Joe Gisberg's error on a dropped ball at the plate.

Baltimore's only moment of glory was rookie Willie Tasby's solo home run opening the bottom of the fourth. It was his third of the year.

Barry's Lions Are In League

Barry's Lions were officially taken back into the fold at a meeting of the City Softball league last evening. Forbie Kennedy will coach the Parkdale squad.

The Garrison had a representative at last night's meet and have expressed willingness to enter a team in the loop.

A resolution was passed that single games would be played on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays during the season with a doubleheader on Sunday. Also, most of the games will be played on the Old Diamond.

A schedule is in the process of being drawn up and will appear in the Guardian in the very near future.

Following are the softball practices scheduled for the next four days.

Friday: Barry's at Queen Charlotte; Rollaway at Old Diamond.

Saturday: B.I.S. at Old Diamond; B.Y.C. at Queen Charlotte.

Sunday: Rollaway at Queen Charlotte; Barry's at Old Diamond.

Monday: B. I. S. at Queen Charlotte; Garrison at Old Diamond.

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Giants Shut Out Phillies; Early Wynn Grabs 254th

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Three-hit pitching performance by San Francisco's 30-year-old Mike McCormick and veteran lefty Joe Nuxhall of Cincinnati combined with Early Wynn's 254th career triumph made pitchers the stars of major league day games Thursday.

McCormick checked Philadelphia Phillies with three hits after hurling hitless ball for seven innings as San Francisco giants pounded out an 8-0 triumph. It was the young lefthander's first victory of the season.

Nuxhall allowed Chicago Cubs only three safeties in Cincinnati's 3-0 triumph but the decision went down to the ninth inning, when Gus Bell's two-run single broke up the duel between the Reds veteran and Dave Hillman. Bell's game-winning blow came off Don Elston, second of the Cubs' relief pitchers in the ninth.

Wynn lasted only seven innings plus but the Chicago White Sox combed Boston pitchers for 19 hits and a 14-4 victory. The triumph moved the White Sox within a half-game of the idle Cleveland Indians, American League leaders.

Pinch hitter Granny Hamner spoiled McCormick' bid for a no-hitter when he doubled with one out in the eighth. The Phils picked up two more singles in the ninth. Until Hamner doubled the only other Philly to reach first was Richie Ashburn, who was the young lefthander's first strikeout in the fourth. McCormick struck out nine and issued only one walk.

As McCormick matched Sam Jones' shut out pitching of Wednesday, Willie Mays and Leon Walker provided the Giants' hurler with a cushion. Esch homered for the second straight day as the Giants scored three times in the fourth. Daryl Spencer also homered in the fifth. Mays drove in four runs.

OPENS WITH DOUBLE In the Cincinnati - Chicago

game, Johnny Temple opened the ninth with a double and moved a third on Vada Pinson's single.

Lefty Bill Henry then replaced Hillman. After he had fanned Jerry Lynch, Don Elston was called in. He walked Frank Robinson to lead the bases. Bell then caught a high slow ball and drove it into left field for the winning hit.

The White Sox chalked up their sixth straight triumph with Earl Torgeson, Del Ennis and Jim Landis contributing home runs. Wynn had a three-hit shutout through five innings but

weakened in the sixth and was replaced by Turk Lown in the eighth. Boston's Don Bushin had homered in the seventh and hit a two-run double in the eighth. Marty Keough struck two more Red Sox runs across with a single before Lown put down the rally.

Two night games were scheduled in each league. In the National, Milwaukee was at St. Louis and Pittsburgh at Los Angeles. In the American it was Kansas City at Baltimore and Detroit at Washington.

BASEBALL RESULTS

National League		Crimian (9) and King, Hannah (7).	
Cincinnati	000 000 002-2 5 9	Columbus	031 000 210-7 15 1
Chicago	000 000 000-0 3 0	Miami	000 020 000-2 5 6
Nuxhall (2-2) and Bailey; Hillman (2-2) Henry (9) Elston (9) and Averill.		Jackson and Baich; Byrd, Kay (3) and Larry (6) and Bucha, Korcheck (6). HR: Col-McDaniel; Mia-Burke.	
American League		Rochester at Buffalo postponed. cold and wet grounds.	
Chicago	31 222 211-14 19 0		
Boston	000 001 140-6 11 2		
Wynn (5-2) Lown (8) and Lollar; Hoefft (1-3) Monbouquette (1) Bowsfield (6) Fornieles (9) and White. HRs: Chi - Torgeson (2), Ennis (2) Landis (3); Bos-Buddin (2).			
Detroit	000 012 100-4 10 0		
Wash	000 101 000-2 4 2		
Bunning 3-3 and Berberet; Griggs 2-1, Cleveenger (7) Stobbs (7) Hyde (8) and Porter. HR: Det-Yost (7), Kaline (7); Wash-Allison (7).			
Kansas City 010 000 100-2 10 0			
Baltimore	000 100 000-1 4 2		
Garver, Daley 1-2 and House; O'Dell 1-2, E. Johnson (9) and Ginsberg. Triandos (8). HR: KCy-Maris (8); Bal-Tasby (3).			
International League			
Montreal	010 004 021-8 13 1		
Toronto	000 050 100-6 11 3		
Birrer, Rakow (5) Collum (7) Negray (8) and Teed; Woodchick, Funk (8), Scantlebury (8)			

Probable Pitchers

NEW YORK (AP) — Probable pitchers for today's major league games (won and lost records in parentheses):

American League
Cleveland at Boston (N)—Gram (1-0) vs Brewer (1-2)
Chicago at New York (N)—Pierce (4-2) vs Ford (3-1)
Kansas City at Washington (N)—Herbert (1-3) vs Kemmerer (4-1)
Detroit at Baltimore (N)—Moss (1-1) vs Wilhelm (4-0)

National League
Philadelphia at St. Louis (N)—Roberts (2-1) vs Mizell (3-1)
Cincinnati at San Francisco (N)—Newcombe (1-4) vs Sanford (5-2)
Only games scheduled.

STANDINGS

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American League				
Club	W	L	Pct.	G.B.L.
Cleveland	16	9	.640	
Chicago	17	11	.607	1/2
Baltimore	15	13	.536	2 1/2
Washington	15	15	.500	3 1/2
Kansas City	12	14	.462	4 1/2
Boston	12	15	.444	5
New York	11	14	.440	5
Detroit	10	17	.370	7

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