

SPORTS FRONT

By PIUS CALLAGHAN

ROLLAWAY ACES no longer hold any spell over the rest of the City Softball League.

After chalking up seven straight triumphs, Irv MacKinnon's boys have run into trouble that was started by Barry's Lions and continued by BIS Shamrocks. Lions threw the Aces for that first loss Sunday afternoon 5-2 and before the Rollaway could recover from the shock the Shamrocks sent them reeling again. This time the Irish really rubbed it in to the tune of 16-7.

Aces can console themselves with the thought that the greatest of teams go into slumps. This two-game setback for the Rollaway club has only added interest to the league. The Aces have no intention of allowing such things to continue.

Their next taste of competition comes Thursday night and the opposition will be supplied by that hustling band of Junior Basillea Youth Clubbers. These lads are running along with a three-game winning streak and they'll be out to make it four at the expense of the Aces. Rollaway on the other hand want to get back in winning stride and they know of no better way than putting the brakes on Danny MacCormack's crew.

Both these outfits know that they have a stern battle shaping up Thursday night. Each team has the greatest respect for each other but neither Aces or Juniors are lacking in confidence for this important tussle.

LAST YEAR'S CHAMPIONS, BIS Shamrocks, are showing definite signs lately of putting on a real effort to successfully defend their 1958 crown.

The Irish appear to have more depth this year and are showing more authority at the bat. The acquisition of Ed Murphy has strengthened them a great deal and Ed looks like a tough customer for opposition batters from here on.

Last year Joe Thistle had to shoulder the big load as far as pitching was concerned. Manager Ev Beagan did give him some mighty important assistance on several occasions but Beagan hasn't indicated that he will be a starter this year. Murphy fills a great gap and makes the Irish real contenders for top honors.

But we still think that Beagan will try his luck again before the season is over. He won a few very important games for his outfit last season, one of them a semi-final battle against Junior Basillea Youth Club and a final against the Lions. If his club needs him in a real pinch, Ev will be in there, throwing them up to the opposition.

And he may come through with a few timely triumphs. History may repeat itself.

WILLIS HENNESSEY has called a practice for Intermediate Abbies this evening at 5:30.

Hennessey informed this corner yesterday that the response by intermediate players has been anything but encouraging and unless the number turning out tonight is much in excess of other turnouts, the idea of an intermediate team will be dropped.

Just where players are to perform after they have graduated from the junior bracket, we don't know. If there is no intermediate ball, baseball ceases for players in these parts at a very early age. It seems regrettable but that's the story.

However, if players have to be coaxed out to play ball, we would sooner see the idea dropped. If the interest in play intermediate is at that low an ebb, then forcing the game down anyone's throat will certainly not lead to success.

So tonight is supposed to be the final chance. If you're interested turn out for practice. If a sufficient number don't show enough interest, then it's better that the whole idea be tossed out.

THE OTHER AFTERNOON we listened to the Yankee-Indians game (the only one the Tribe was able to win) and we got to thinking about this won and lost record of pitchers. New York hurler Don Larsen was taken out in the seventh before the Indians had got an earned run off him. The score was tied 2-2 at the time and one man was on base. That runner scored and Larsen was the losing hurler. Even though he left the ball game without an earned run getting across home on him, Mr. Larsen was forced to taste defeat. That's what the record book will have to tell about the game.

Certainly Don didn't have any luck in that game, otherwise he would have defeated the victor. But some other guys, with a few horseshoes around their necks, can have five or six earned runs scored against them and still come out the winner.

There's only one way of judging a pitcher and that's on his earned run average. Hoyt Wilhelm has a 9-9 record but he has an earned run average of .399 to go along with it. That record really means something when you take a glimpse at Wilhelm's ERA.

We haven't the earned run averages available of the other hurlers in the majors but from following the games, we know several pitchers with rather gaudy records who must have very shabby earned run averages. Some fellows seem to have the luck of having their teammates pound the opposing moundsmen every time they toe the slab. Other chaps pitch their hearts out but the sluggers on their club just play dead that day.

Yes, there's only one way to judge the merits of a hurler and that's by looking up his earned run average.

DETROIT TIGERS continue to sizzle under manager Jimmy Dykes whose record this season as a major league manager far surpasses any of the other fifteen pilots.

The Bengals have come a tremendous distance since Jimmy took control and have their sights set on only one goal—the American league pennant.

PRACTICES

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BASEBALL

National League

S. Francisco 19 008 300-8 M 6
Pittsburgh 000 000 101-3 5 2
Amesell 8-8 and Landrith; Lew 5-4, Blackburn (7), Smith (9) and Fikes. HRs: Pugh-Hoak (6), Stuart (9).

Cincinnati 000 121 000-4 7 0
Chicago 000 100 312-8 16 6

Nuxhall 2-4, Acher (7) Arroyo (7) and Bailey; Anderson, Henry 4-2 (7) and Neuman. HR: Cincinnati (9), Cbi - Thomson (7) Banks (14) Long (8).

Los Angeles 010 101 000-8 4 1
Phila 101 000 000-3 5 2

Williams 3-4, Koufax (9) and Roseboro; Semproch 2-4, Meyer (9) and Sawatski.

American League

KC 000 000 100 000-6 12 3
NY 130 201 001 000-1 17 3

Kucks, Dickson (2), Meyer (5), Sturdivant 1-3 (7), and House; Ford, Terry (4), Bronstad (7), Shanix (8), Duren (10), Coates 1-0 (11) and Berra. HRs: NY—Siebera (5), Mantle (11).

Cleveland 011 100 000-8 9 2
Baltimore 300 002 000-7 11 3

Grant 3-2, McLish (6) Cicotte (7) and Fitzgerald, Nison (8); O'Dell, Johnson 3-1 (5) Loos (7) and Triandos. HR: BR-Woodling (7) Carrasquel (2).

Detroit 000 200 000-3 4 1
Boston 500 000 000-5 9 0

Dave 2-2, Burnside (1) Schultz (6) and Berberet; Casale 4-4 and Daley. HR: Det-Maxwell (12).

International League

First
Havana 101 010 040-6 17 0
Montreal 100 306 x-8 9 0

Rudolph, Lopez (6) Douglas (6) and Gonder; Birrer, Miller (7) Harris (7) and Teed.
Columbus 000 100 100-2 3 1
Buffalo 102 100 000-4 7 1

Giel, O'Donnell (5) Held (7) and Tall; Short and Coker.
Richmond 000 203 101-7 14 0
Rochester 012 051 313-13 15 0

Flowers, Grba (5) and Shantz; Browning, Greason (6) and Standland.
Miami 101 012 040-9 10 9
Toronto 200 000 000-2 8 1

Stewart and Korcheck; Habe, Pehanic (6) Crimian (8) and Thompson.
Crestler and Liguero; Rakov and Teed.

Lions Thump Dodgers 12-2

Barry's Lions last evening handed Dodgers their eighth straight defeat in as many starts, trouncing them by the top-sided score of 12-2.

Lloyd Gregory, making his first appearance this season on the mound for the Lions, hurled a three hitter, issuing only two free passes and fanning none.

Keith Dalziel started for the losers but was relieved by 'Bubbles' Quinn in the second after a disastrous first frame in which the Lions drove in six runs.

These two hurlers were tagged for a total of nine hits. They also walked seven and struck out three.

Dave MacLeod, centrefielder for the winners, poked the longest ball of the game, a base-loaded home run in the opening stanza.

Tonight the Shamrocks will be at home to Barry's Lions.

Grand River Blanks K Of C

Grand River gals whitewashed the K. of C. club in a softball game at Queen Elizabeth Park by the score of 18-0. Geraldine MacKinnon, the Grand River pitcher, hit a home run, and Daria Gillis, first sacker, also hit for the circuit. Estelle Perry made some good catches at short for the losers. LeClair and Jean Gaudet did the pitching for K. of C.

Commissioner George P. Monaghan of New York has reversed the April 18 decision that denied a driver's license in New York to Frank Salford. This will be good news to friends of Mr. Salford.

LOOKING TIME
The most sensational pacer that has shown up this season in the Maritimes is the four-year-old, Licking Time, that took a record of 2:07 3/4 last year as a three-year-old on a fast Ohio half-mile track.

Saturday night, under conditions that would be called slow because of the temperatures and other factors, he won the third event on the program at Sackville Downs in 2:10 1/5, with Pegasus (E. Halsey) 2, Royal Onyx (MacGregor) 3. In the seventh dash, with the same field, he won in 2:12 with Royal Onyx (MacGregor) 2 and Josedale (G. Turner) 3. Licking Time was driven both trips by Art Porter of Springhill.

Because of the above performance, showed horsemen believe that Heber Sweeney has another 'real' one, a d that is nothing new for him because through the years he has, on several occasions, had the fastest pacer performing in these Maritimes.

Following are the results of the other races on the card at Sackville Downs:

Races 1 and 4 — Pennsylvania (J. Balooh) 1-3, Salley Volstad, (MacGregor) 2-1, Atbasong (L. Walker) 2-2, five other starters, times 2:14 1/5 and 2:15 1/5; Salley Volstad is a trotter and was competing against pacers in this event. Pennsylvania owned by John Balooh, Bedford, N.S., and Salley Volstad by Ray MacCallum, Marshfield, P. E. I.

Races 2 and 6 — Becky's Prince (Ratchford) 1-3, Janette (H. Spence) 2-1, Dynamite Volo (Loye) 5-2, My Clegg (K. Pinkney) 3-4, four other starters, times 2:15 and 2:13; Becky's Prince

owned by R. L. Riley, Mallfax, and Janette by Harley Spence, Bridgewater, N.S.

Race 5 — Minneapolis (S. Daniels) 1, Hi There (L. McHugh) 2, Mighty Eddie (N. Campbell) 3, four other starters, time 2:16 4/5; winner owned by Don Ratchford, Newport, N.S. Race 8 — Knight Norris (Ray O'Brien) 1, Pepper Shaker (H. Walsh) 2, Mona T. (F. Baxter) 3, Mighty Smart 4, four other starters, time 2:17; winner owned by Vincent Turner, Windsor, N.S.

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DOWN THE BACK STRETCH

The fastest mile trotted this year on a half mile track was stepped at Yonkers Raceway half-mile oval the night of May 20, when Mr. Saunders, a four-year-old by Florioan, dam Cheer-up, won for driver G. Riegler in 2:02. The horses he headed included such classy trotters as Trader Horn, Steamin' Deamon, Newport Star and eight others. The purse was \$42,500.

The next important event on the program was the AA Pace, purse \$4,500, which was won by Bay State Pat, driven by Marcel Dostie of Montreal, time 2:08 1/2. The second fastest mile of the night, Bay State Pat is ten years old, but the above performance shows that he has just as much speed as he ever had, and he certainly is an extraordinary horse.

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