

# SPORTS FROM THE

By PIUS CALLAGHAN

## Work Has Begun

ALREADY work has begun on Memorial Field where baseball holds the spotlight during the summer months.

A large quantity of new clay has been brought in and after it is properly sifted, the diamond will get a generous new coating.

To date, we haven't heard anything definite about 1965 plans. However, the grapevine tells us that those who were responsible for a fine City League last summer, are ready to do a repeat in the months ahead.

Last year, four teams in operation and the public saw a pretty fair brand of ball all through the piece. The part played by minor leagues was indeed noteworthy and you can be sure that any City League will include these promising youngsters.

THERE have been suggestions that Charlotte and Sumner would get teams into some kind of a league but whether this actually comes about is a big question.

However, even if it doesn't, both centres can be assured of plenty of baseball. Both Charlotte and Sumner have excellent facilities and plenty of talent to make things hum.

Of course, minor league ball will, as usual, get into full swing once the schools take a holiday. That will mean that there'll be little actual playing of league games until July. But once these youngsters get a taste of action, they are ready to go from then on.

## Need Bigger Crowds

WE can never quite understand why crowds are not better at Charlotte.

Here we have a great many baseball fans. If you want to prove that, just come around this office some night when we are full schedule of night games. You'll witness all but jump off the desks with folks calling about the scores all but take a walk around town during the summer and you hear many raves about Boston, Yankees, Baltimore, Mets or Pittsburgh games. You will surely be surprised at the amount of people who follow the games by radio.

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## A Beautiful Ball Park

IT seems a shame to see a beautiful spot like Memorial Field so sparsely populated most of the time.

We don't know for whom you would find a more beautiful ball park than the Marlins that you have right here at Memorial Field. Players on visiting teams have told us time and time again that they thought it was tops. The only complaint we have is that they haven't got around for a long time. They may do it this year and then the boys can start getting credit for home runs.

The rest of the setup is ideal. Probably the boys around here don't really appreciate it. They have always had it good, so they can't make any real comparison with other baseball ballparks.

So we have the facilities, the players and good officials. What we need and need it badly is more fans. More attention. It's rather disheartening to players and promoters to find that just about nobody cares whether they play or don't play.

You can remedy that situation this coming season. Make up your mind that you're going to become a baseball fan in 1965.

You'll be glad you did.

## Rapidly Named Fighter of Month

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP) — Bobby Scanlon, San Francisco, light middleweight champion, recently won the world junior middleweight title after a grueling fight and better conditioning in the name boxer of the month Tuesday by the World Boxing Association.

Dupas, 27, finally made the grade April 29 by beating Donny Moyer in a title match. He had been stopped by Joe Brown in a 1952 bid for the title. Moyer's crown and last decision to Emil Griffin when he reached for the winner title.

The WBA decided on Dupas after giving much consideration to Jose Stabile, the Cuban welter who upset Curtis Cokes of Dallas recently.

Ingenier, Luxembourg, former world heavyweight king, was dropped from fourth to sixth among Stabile's competitors.

Tony Petronella of Providence, chairman of the promotion committee, noted that Johnson must undergo physical tests to determine his future in the ring because of his recent bout with Brian London.

Johnson won but was knocked down in the final seconds.

## HEAVYWEIGHT

Champion, Sonny Liston, Chicago.

1. Floyd Patterson, New York.

2. Cassius Clay, Louisville, Ky.

3. Doug Jones, New York.

4. Cooper, England.

5. Cleveland Williams, Houston.

## LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT

Champion, Harold Johnson, Philadelphia.

1. Mauro Mina, Peru.

2. Willie Pastrano, Miami Beach, Fla.

3. Wayne Thornton, Fresno, Calif.

## MIDDLEWEIGHT

Champion, Dick Tiger, Nigeria.

1. Gene Fullmer, West Jordan, Utah.

2. George Benton, Philadelphia.

3. Terry Downes, England.

## JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHT

Champion, Ralph Dupas, New Orleans.

1. Nino Benvenuti, Italy.

2. Bruce Van Dyke, Denver.

3. Moyer, Portland, Ore.

## WELTERWEIGHT

Champion, Luis Rodriguez, Cuba.

1. Brian Curvis, Wales.

2. Emil Griffin, York, Pa.

3. Jose Stabile, Cuba.

## JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHT

Champion, Roberto Cruz, Philadelphia.

1. Eddie Perkins, Chicago.

2. Shigemasa Kawakami, Japan.

Frank Mahovich (left) chats with Billy Gallant, Charlotte minor league coach, of the year, during the SDU Boosters' Club reception at the Charlotte Hotel last evening. The 'Big M' later was a guest speaker at the Club sports dinner.

## Sports Dinner's Success; Manovich Delights Fans

Toronto hockey star Frank Mahovich proved he was just as adept as an after-dinner speaker as he is at goal-scoring last night when he appeared as guest speaker at the SDU Boosters' Club first annual sportsmen's dinner at the Charlotte Hotel.

Mahovich, who was kept busy signing autographs for more than an hour prior to the dinner, delighted the audience with his rosy wit and handled himself ably during a question and answer period following the banquet.

One of the features of the evening was a showing of a film in technicolor of the 1961-62 Stanley Cup finals between Toronto Maple Leafs and Chicago Black Hawks which the Leafs captured in six games.

The 'Big M', who was bombarded with all types of questions pertaining to hockey from the local level right up to the National Hockey League and the world hockey championships, had little trouble fielding the many queries.

Mahovich chose as his topic 'expansion for the NHL'. He said that he had attended a dinner earlier where NHL president Clarence Campbell had noted that before the NHL expanded cities seeking a major circuit team would have to guarantee crowds of at least 15,000 for every game. Two cities which could provide these crowds were Los Angeles and San Francisco.

Dr. John Theurich of Charlotte was emcee for the dinner and introduced the head table guests, included at the head table were Premier Walter Shaw and Mayor A. Walter Gaudet, who both spoke a few words welcoming the Leaf leftwinger on his first visit to Prince Edward Island.

Also seated at the head table were Brenton McGinn, Billy Ledwell, Dr. George Desjar, provincial minister of education, Rev. Fred Cass; Frank MacDonald, SIDA-ABC president; Ed Hillon; Jack Kane and Dr. A. Boswell, director of physical education for P.E.I.

Jack 'Sp' Ready who is a scout for the Leafs organization, introduced Mahovich.

'Sp' read an excerpt from a letter he had received from the Maple Leafs regarding local player Billy MacMillan, who campaigned with Neil MacNeil this season.

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## BASEBALL SCORES

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

National League

Pittsburgh 4, Cincinnati 3

Chicago 11, Milwaukee 5

Cleveland 10, St. Louis 8

Burgess 4, Jackson 4

Hamilton 6, Philadelphia 3

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## Paul Pender Is Retiring

NEW YORK (AP)—Paul Pender, stripped of his world lightweight title in all but his home state of Massachusetts, announced his retirement from boxing Tuesday and took some time to reflect on his boxing career and commissions.

The articulate craftsman said he was retiring for two reasons.

"The practically impossible situation of trying to solve the dual claims to the middleweight title" and because of the promoter's inability to get television coverage of a scheduled bout with Brock Gardner.

Pender, who retired once before with broken hands, said he had offered to fight Dick Tiger, recognized by the world boxing association as the champion, in Nigeria in Tokyo.

"I got no immediate response," he said.

He was scheduled to fight veteran Giardello in Boston June 7 for the share of the championship.

Pender, obviously bitter over the New York State Athletic Commission action in withdrawing title recognition, said "the courts said it was without fault. Then they commission took another means to vacate my title. In the end the courts will show I was right."

## Probable Pitchers

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Probable pitchers for today's games:

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Washington, Nereo Martinez.

Chicago, Bob Feller.

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## Attention Riflemen

Rifles will be disbursed at Jenkins Transfer at the following times—

2—4:00 p.m.—MAY 9th

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10—12:00 a.m.—MAY 11th

The Range will be open for the first shoot on Saturday, May 11th.

Secretary  
P.E.I. Rifle Association.

# Ford Frick, Prexys Agree On Balk Rule Amendment

NEW YORK (AP)—Baseball Commissioner Ford Frick and the presidents of the American and National leagues agreed Tuesday to amend the balk rule to eliminate the one-second stop for a pitcher.

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Under the rule a balk could be called if there was a runner on base and the pitcher delivered the ball from a set position without coming to a stop for a full second.

The new agreement means the pitcher still must stop, but not necessarily for a full second.

The rule has been in effect since 1950 but umpires have not been calling it as strictly as the National League umpires this year.

The National League umpires have called 96 balks this season—an all-time record—compared with 100 by the American League. Umpires of the two leagues have been interpreting the rule differently.

RECOMMEND CHANGE

The commissioner and league presidents recommended that the balk rule be changed by the committee where it meets next December. The ruling Tuesday is a temporary move until the rule can be changed effectively for the remainder of the year.

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## Murray Harbour Shoot Staged

Following are the scores made at the regular weekly shoot held at the Murray Harbour Rifle Range.

Keith White 96

James Gordon 94

Bruce Gormley 94

Randall Richards 93

Harvey Gordon 92

Gary Gormley 91

Jim Leighton 89

Harvey Fraser 88

Harvey Gordon 86

## DINNER SPECIAL

Business man's DINNER 75c

During Monday each day except Sunday

DOW'S RESTAURANT

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## Games Team 'A Real Credit'

TORONTO (CP)—Canada's Pan American Games team, "the best international team Canada has ever sent abroad," arrived at Toronto International Airport Tuesday from Brazil.

"By best," said team general manager Bob Osborne of Vancouver when the team left the plane to be greeted by a crowd of well-wishers, local dignitaries and sports officials, "don't mean because we won so many medals.

"Our team was a real credit to Canada in their deportment," he said, however, "the team won more medals than anticipated."

The fourth Pan American Games at Sao Paulo ended Sunday.

Ken Twigg of Toronto, manager of the track and field team that returned to Canada with five gold medals, said: "We still have a long way to go yet in world competition."

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## TO MISSION YUKON

OTTAWA (CP)—EMOS Yukon, the third of the Mackenzie class destroyer escorts, will be commissioned May 25 from her berth at Esplanade in Ottawa.

The ship was launched July 27, 1961. She is 366 feet long, has a beam of 42 feet, a mean draught of 13.5 feet and a displacement of 2,900 tons. Three sister ships are being built.

## Charlotte Curling Club DANCE & FLOOR SHOW

on Wednesday, May 8th

Dancing 9:30—1

Admission 1.00 per person - members and guests

Three Fine Floor Show Acts

part of proceeds for new Legion building

"Music by the Mariners"

Premium Quality Nylon Cord! Extra Low Profile!

● Four-row tread design for a whisper quiet ride.

● Hundreds of interlocking "Sipes" to give fast, sure stops even on wet surfaces.

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● Extra flat profile for added stability and control.

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