



GRIDIRON TACTICS ON DIAMOND

San Francisco Giants catcher who was caught in a rundown...

SPORTS FRONT

By PIUS CALLAGHAN

If Commissioner Ford has his way, there will be no repetition of Los Angeles' short left field fence.

Frick says nothing can be done now about the west coast hitters' heaven, but he has asked the playing rules committee to set a minimum of 325-feet for foul lines and 400 feet for centrefield on all parks built or remodelled after June 1.

Frick's utterance will be welcomed by the baseball public who love to see home runs hit, but don't take kindly to the four-base wallpops when they are of the cheap variety.

The commissioner says there is nothing that can be done about parks that have been built but he is looking toward the future. He believes that 10 or 15 new parks will be constructed in the majors and minors in the next five years.

At present the rules demand that the distance from home plate to the nearest fence, stand or other obstruction be 250 feet or more. They recommend 320 feet or more along the foul lines and 400 feet for centrefield, but it's purely a recommendation.

And so it was when the Dodgers went about fixing up the Coliseum they got away with the 250 foot left field wall with the 42 foot screen.

Baseball's top man still insists that Babe Ruth's record won't be broken this season. He claims the hitters that profit by a fence such as the one in the Coliseum are not the real sluggers but merely "banjo" hitters.

The committee was asked to change the rule by All-Star game time in July.

Walter Alton, manager of the Dodgers, claims his players have been losing ball games due to glaring faults in the batter's box. So Alton has produced movies to show the boys where the errors are.

Alton claims the films are producing good results as shown by Sunday's double win over the Philadelphia Phillies. But Monday the Dodgers forgot about the films and they fell victims to the same Phils 8-3.

If Alton thinks the movies are the answer to his problems, then he should give the former Brooks plenty of them. At the rate they have been performing they could use a lot of double features.

While the Dodgers are fighting to regain lost ground in this young National League pennant race, a great Dodger of other years is fighting for a chance to live a normal life once again.

Roy Campanella was transferred Monday from Glen Cove Hospital, N.Y., to New York Medical and Rehabilitation Centre and the best news that doctors would give was that Campy might make enough progress for "ordinary living".

His active rehabilitation program begins next week, but if he regains no more function than he has now, he'll never walk again, even with braces.

You can bet that Campy isn't worrying about that short left field fence in Los Angeles Coliseum. He has much more serious matters with which to deal.

Philadelphia Phillies have a habit of coming up with some mighty classy moundsmen.

Last year they introduced Jack Sanford to the rest of the National League and the hitters were not overjoyed at Mr. Sanford's appearance. All this young man did was win 19 games as a freshman and get himself voted the outstanding rookie of the year in the National League.

This time it's Roman (Ray) Semproch, a hard throwing right hander, who already has a 3-1 record with the season only three weeks old. Semproch's loss was no great humiliation as he was beaten by the world champion Milwaukee Braves and Bob Buhl. At that he allowed the hard-hitting Milwaukee club only seven hits and was on a 2-2 basis with the champions until the eighth when they pushed across two runs to win the tussle 4-2.

Semproch's wins have come against San Francisco and Los Angeles as a starter and against Cincinnati Redlegs in relief.

Maybe he's out to duplicate or even surpass the feats of Sanford in 1957.

Wait and see.

Charlie Hogan, the energetic manager of Civic Stadium in Summerside, doesn't let too much time elapse between activities at his spacious stadium.

Charlie has a top notch boxing card lined up for this Friday night and judging by the talk among boxing fans Charlie is in for a fine crowd. If that's so, then it's as it should be because Hogan has lined up a card with plenty of local colour and at the same time a card that certainly should produce loads of fireworks. These are the things, at least in our mind, that the fans want and Charlie is ready to give it to them in large quantities.

Hard-hitting Bud Ramsay tangles with New Glasgow's Alan MacKay. "Peanuts" Arsenault takes on "Sluggo" Turnbull in the main two go's. Preliminaries bring together Gussie Gallant and Donnie Arsenault in one bout and Young Tiger Steele and Len Durelle in another.

That looks like a great evening's entertainment. Make a point to be at Civic Stadium on Friday night May 9.

You would think with New York Giants and Brooklyn Dodgers no longer in the same area with New York Yankees, the Yanks' attendance figures would show a jump. Brooklyn and Giant fans now have only one home team, the Yankees, and it would seem logical the Bombers would draw better than in 1957.

But after the first five home games, such was definitely not the case.

81,321 had paid admission for the first five this season—a drop of 47,845 or slightly over 56 percent. Quite a fall-off.

Of course it's no news that Los Angeles and San Francisco were away out in front when comparisons were made with Brooklyn and Polo Grounds attendances in 1957 but the other club comparisons showed some interesting figures.

In the first six games Philadelphia was down 25,000, Pittsburgh down 22,000 in the first four, Milwaukee short 8,000 in their first four home contests, Cincinnati down 25,000 in the first five.

In the American loop, Boston was shy by 26,000 in the first seven Kansas City 23,000 in the first six, Cleveland 18,000 in their first seven. The other clubs showed gains over the same number of games last season: Chicago Cubs (3 games) gain—22,000; St. Louis (2 games)—gain—10,000; Detroit (5 games)—gain—14,000; Washington (5 games)—gain—2,000; Baltimore (four games)—gain—10,000; Chicago White Sox (five games)—gain—7,000.

Red Sox Take 7-5 Win; Cubs Whitewash Reds

By THE CANADIAN PRESS The weather played havoc with the American League baseball schedule again Tuesday, with three games postponed by rain and cold.

The rained out games were Kansas City at Baltimore, Cleveland at New York and Detroit at Washington.

The result left just one game on the books, a 7-5 victory for Boston Red Sox over Chicago White Sox at Fenway Park.

In the National League, a three-run homer by veteran Bobby Thomson and a four-hit pitching chore by rookie Glen Hobbie provided the front-running Chicago Cubs with a 4-0 decision over Cincinnati Reds.

Three other games were scheduled in the senior circuit, all at night. Milwaukee was at St. Louis, Philadelphia at Los Angeles and Pittsburgh at San Francisco.

COLLECT RUNS EARLY Boston Red Sox erupted for all their runs in the first four innings against the White Sox. Relief pitcher Murray Wall allowed only one Chicago run and four hits after taking over from Mike Fornieles with one out in the fourth.

The Red Sox moved into sixth place in the league, while Chicago was buried deeper in the cellar. Boston jumped on southpaw ace Billy Pierce for three runs in the first inning when with two out, Ted Williams walked and Dick Gerritt hit his first home run.

Frank Malzone followed with his second homer of the season. Boston clinched the game in the fourth with three more runs.

At Chicago, the Cubs' rookie pitcher fanned seven batters and walked just four in short-circuiting the Reds' power.

Thomson slammed his second homer of the campaign against a brisk cold wind into the left field stands in the first inning. Ernie Banks and Walt Moryn scored ahead of him.

ST. LOUIS (AP)—Scoring seven runs in the first two innings and five more in the ninth, Milwaukee Braves Tuesday night handed staggering St. Louis Cardinals their sixth straight defeat, 12-8.

HOWARD WINNER Over Beau Jack

HALIFAX (CP)—Canadian lightweight champion Richard (Kid) Howard of Halifax scored a 10-round unanimous decision over rugged Baby Beau Jack of New York in a non-title bout on the season's first boxing card here Tuesday.

Howard weighed 138, Jack 133. There were no knockdowns. Both fighters finished unmarked.

The 29-year-old Howard had trouble solving Jack's puzzling troubling style that at times brought boos from the 4,500 fans. Jack withstood a terrific assault of punches in every round but the fourth and eighth.

However, the New Yorker connected with a left hand from three feet out in the seventh that turned out to be the best punch of the night.

In an eight-round semi-final, Maritime lightweight champion Jackie Hayden of Westville, N.S., won by unanimous decision over Puerto Rico's Asan Santiago.

Digger Jackson, 158, Halifax, scored a technical knockout over Jack Noon of Toronto at 1:32 of the third in one of two, four round preliminaries.

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After the Braves teed off on Lindy McDaniel for six hits and four runs in the opening frame and then mopped up Morrie Martin in the second, they were limited to one hit by four Redbird pitchers until the ninth. Then they fell on Billy Muffett and Phil Cpark.

Bob Buhl, meanwhile, gained his fourth victory in five decisions although needing help in the eighth inning from Don McMahon. Gene Conley came on in the ninth.

For Milwaukee, which bunched 12 of its 13 hits in just three innings, Bob Hazle drove in three runs with three singles and Frank Torre three with a single and a double. Red Schoendienst doubled

in the first inning to extend his consecutive - game hitting streak to 15.

St. Louis, consistently unable to get timely hitting or effective pitching this early season, failed to capitalize on 16 blows and five walks. Stan Musial, who has hit safely in all 16 Redbird games, kept his league-leading average at a sizzling .516 with two hits in four official trips, leaving him just 10 shy of 3,000 for his career.

Manager Fred Hutchinson used 24 of his 28 players, including seven pitchers, six pinch-hitters tying a major league record for a nine-inning game. The mark was set by Brooklyn against the Giants April 21, 1948.

Hutchinson also employed a pinch-runner.

Individual tumblers were presented to the runner-up team in playoffs. Members of the runner-up team were: Dan MacDonald (captain), Gloria Jenkins, Marie Toole, Jim Bentley, Errol Francis.

Trophies were also presented to the following: Ladies High Single - Marie Toole.

Gents High Single - Joe Shelton.

Ladies High Three - Alice Trainor.

Gents High Three - Dan MacDonald.

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BASEBALL ROUNDUP

By THE CANADIAN PRESS American League Kansas City at Baltimore, ppd. rain. Cleveland at New York, ppd. rain. Detroit at Washington, ppd. rain. Chicago 011 201 000-5 10 2 Boston 310 300 00x-7 11 0 Pierce, Moore (2), Fischer (4), Qualters (6), Staley (7) and Lol-lar Fornieles. Wall (4) and White. W-Wall. L-Moore. HRs: Bos-Gerner (1), Malzone (2). National League Cincinnati 000 000 000-0 4 1 Chicago 300 000 01x-4 5 2 Nuxhall, Freeman (2), Schmidt (7), Wight (8) and Burgess; Hobbie and Tappe. L-Nuxhall. HRs: Chi-Thomson (2). Milwaukee 430 000 005-12 13 0 St. Louis 020 101 022-8 16 2 Buhl, McMahon (8), Conley (9) and Rice; L. McDaniel, Martin (1), Jackson (3), Paine (5), Barnes (7), Muffett (9), Clark (9) and Kait, Smith (9). W-Buhl. L-L. McDaniel. International League Montreal at Toronto, ppd. cold. Miami at Columbus, ppd. rain. Buffalo at Rochester, ppd. rain. Havana at Richmond, ppd. rain.

STANDINGS

Table with columns: American League, W, L, Pct., GBL. Rows for New York, Washington, Kansas City, Cleveland, Baltimore, Boston, Detroit, Chicago.

Crapaud Ex. Elects Officers

The annual meeting of the Crapaud Exhibition Association was held on the evening of April 30th with a good attendance. The secretary-treasurer reported a very successful year. The sum of \$3,213.16 was paid out in prizes, an excess of one thousand dollars over any previous year.

The Tryon Farmer's Institute made a donation to the Association of \$150.00, this being a portion of the surplus on hand when the Institute was discontinued. The directors expressed their appreciation to the Institute, as well as to all other business firms and interested persons who so kindly donated prizes.

Plans were outlined for the 1958 fair which will be held on August 27th. Better accommodation for stock, covered canteens, and adequate toilet facilities will be provided.

The following officers were re-elected: President, Max Thompson; Vice-President, Arthur Simmons; Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. Brent Wood; Directors, John Simmons, William Waddell, Bert J. Trowsdale, R.N. Dawson, George Nicholson, Eric Lowther, and James Nicholson.

Annual Bowling Banquet Held

Winners of the Public Servants Bowling league were presented with the Hiram Walker Trophy at the annual banquet of that organization, held at the Clover Club last evening.

In addition the members of the winning team were also presented with individual trophies. Members of this team are as follows: Phil Macdonald (captain), Alice Trainor, Arlene Moynaux, John MacKinnon, Alf Crawford.

Joe Shelton chaired the banquet, and a delicious turkey dinner was served by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Canadian League. The President of the Public Servants' Association, Mr. Tom White, was also in attendance, and spoke on the "good fellowship" found in bowling. Mr. White also made the presenta-

Martinez Stops Savoie In 7th

BY DAVE O'HARA BOSTON (AP)—Clever Vince Martinez tuned up for his welterweight title bout next month by stopping Armand Savoie of Montreal at 49 seconds of the seventh round of a scheduled 10-rounder Tuesday night. Martinez weighed 148 1/2, Savoie 144 1/2.

Martinez hardly worked up a sweat in winning every round from the former lightweight contender before referee Joe Zapustas called a halt. The crowd booed the dull action.

It was Martinez' first outing since January and served as a fine ring workout before he begins heavy training for his June 6 clash with Virgil Akins for the welterweight title vacated by Carmen Basilio.

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Baby Habs Win Memorial Cup

By ART WILKES Canadian Press Staff Writer OTTAWA (CP)—Ottawa-Hull Junior Canadiens brought the district its first Memorial Cup Tuesday night beating Regina Pats 6-1 to end their best-of-seven final series in six games.

The Memorial Cup was presented to Ralph Backstrom of the Junior Habs by Jack Roxborough

of Simcoe, Ont., second vice-president of the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association. The cup win for Canadiens atoned for their defeat in the 1956-57 final at the hands of Flin Flon Bombers. Prior to last year's final, the last district team in a cup final was Ottawa Primrose who lost out to Winnipeg in the 1930-31 final.

Cities Cited In Safety Awards

EDMONTON (CP)—Nine Canadian cities with populations of more than 20,000 were cited Tuesday by the Canadian Highway Safety Conference for going through 1957 without a traffic fatality.

Heading the list was Medicine Hat, Alta., which reached its 271st traffic-fatality-free day as the citation was presented.

The other winning awards in the over-20,000 class included Granby and Jonquiere in Quebec and Dartmouth, N.S.

Smaller centres with fatality-free records for last year also were cited, but presentations to them are made on a provincial

basis. Those cited in class two, cities and towns with populations between 10,000 and 20,000, included: Quebec—Grand'mere, Kenogami, La Tuque, Longueuil, Noranda, St. Lambert and Silery; New Brunswick—Edmundston and Lancaster; Nova Scotia—Amherst and New Waterford.

Ontario-Steel Earnings Down

TORONTO (CP)—Ontario Steel Products Co. Ltd. had net earnings of \$241,650 or 95 cents a common share for the six months ended March 31, 1958. This compares with \$555,587 or \$2.24 a share for the same period ending March 31, 1957.

Fur, Fin and Campfire

Advertisement for Fur, Fin and Campfire featuring various animal tracks and a list of animals: Cotton-tail, Raccoon, Woodchuck, Red Fox, Squirrel, Deer, Black Bear.

Advertisement for TAYLORS JEWELLERS featuring a whale illustration and text: Get a Whale of a Bargain AT TAYLORS JEWELLERS BIG RE-OPENING EVENT

Advertisement for Friday's Guardian and Saturday's Patriot with text: In Friday's Guardian and Saturday's Patriot you will find news of the Greatest Event of its kind in P. E. I. History. brought to you by Crockett & Storey Ltd.

Cookie After 50 Percent

WASHINGTON (AP)—Winning at least 50 per cent of the time is still Cookie Lavagetto's goal for his startling Washington Senators. But don't let the fellow wrong.

"That doesn't mean I won't be gratified if we play better than .500 ball," he assured Washington's dazed fans Tuesday.

Lavagetto, who relieved Charley Dressen as manager last May, set his sights on 50-50 for '38 in September when he signed a new one-year contract.

At that point the Senators were Cookie's crumbs, swept into the American League cellar and disdained by the citizenry. At his point they're frosting on the cake for patrons of Griffith Stadium whose appetite for victory has been grossly neglected in recent years.

LOFTY POSITION As of Tuesday afternoon Washington was second in the league, of all places, only a game behind New York. Their 9-5 record was shockingly better than .500 for a team expected to stumble down the basement stairs again.

Home attendance is up nearly 15,000 over the same number of games last year. And the customers are as noisy as kids at a circus.

Ask Lavagetto what accounts for it, and before he goes into the subject of successful trades he singles out Pedro Ramos. The 23-year-old right-hander has pitched two complete game triumphs and set up two others before leaving for pinch hitters in the eighth.

Deals with Boston Red Sox which brought first baseman Norm Zauchin, out-fielder Albie Pearson and second baseman Ken Aspromonte to town have helped, too.

BRUNSWICK, Germany (AP) Canal traffic to Soviet - surrounded West Berlin came to a virtual standstill Monday as an East German waterways tax went into effect. The Communist tax applies to all West German and foreign barges using East German canals.