

Joe DiMaggio Turns In Fine Performance At New Playing Position

By Steve Robertson
Canadian Press Staff Writer

One of the great outfielders of all time, Joe DiMaggio moved to first base for the first time in his career yesterday—and turned in a flawless performance. The 35-year-old greying Yankee Clipper handled 13 putouts as though he had been playing there all his life.

But at bat he wasn't the Joltin' Joe of other days. He failed to get a hit in four times up and saw his batting average slip to .258.

DiMag's move to first failed to inject new life into the slipping New York Yankees and a Washington crowd saw the Senators take an American League decision 7-2.

Manager Casey Stengel made other revisions, moving catcher Yogi Berra to third in the batting order and dropping outfielder Hank Bauer to fifth. The Yanks nevertheless performed rather listlessly in losing their fifth game of the season to the pesky Nats.

The Senators smacked three New York hurlers for ten hits, with Eddie Stewart contributing a double and home run.

Dodgers To Hold Tryout Camps In The Maritimes

Seven years ago at a Brooklyn Dodger tryout camp at Olean, New York, Branch Rickey, Jr., was watching a group of young hopefuls. His interest was heightened several times by flashes of talent and skill among the recruits, who were lacking in polish and finesse. An outstanding example was a tall, awkward youngster at shortstop. This boy, though powerful and the possessor of a good arm, was something less than a Pete Wee Reese afield, liked to hit at bad balls, and, judging by the destination of his throws thought first base was in the right field stands. Nonetheless, he had the basic prerequisites—enough to warrant signing. For the Dodgers he played third, caught, and finally (after George Sisler taught him where the strike zone was) ended up as a hard-hitting, accurate thrower, and one of the most graceful first basemen in the majors. This awkward rookie in whom Branch Jr. detected the potentialities of a major leaguer was Gil Hodges.

The Dodgers, seeking others like Gil, will hold three one-day tryout camps in New Brunswick: at Kiwanis Park in Moncton on July 11; at St. Peter's Park in Saint John on July 12; and at Fredericton on July 13. Dodger scout John "Whitey" Plurek will be in charge, assisted by Bill O'Connor and Dick Foley, other Brooklyn talent seekers. They strongly urge all boys who can run, hit and throw, to come to this camp and let trained scouts, experienced in discovering latent talent, determine if they have professional possibilities. Workouts will start promptly at 9:30 a. m. each morning.

All boys are requested to bring their own shoes, gloves, and uniforms. Those players who are signed to contracts with Brooklyn organization clubs will be reimbursed for room, meal and transportation expenses incurred in coming to the camp.

No boy will be allowed to register in camp, who is not eligible under high school and American Legion junior baseball rules.

Indian Detour

St. Louis Browns temporarily detoured a mid-season pennant rush by Cleveland Indians, defeating them 4-2 at Cleveland in spite of a couple of late-inning scares.

With Clarence Marshall on the mound for St. Louis, Cleveland had the bases filled with nobody in the eighth. The best the Indians could do with that was to score one run.

Again in the ninth, with two out, Alie Clark and Luke Easter got to third and first on successive singles, but Larry Doby flew out and the 11,656 fans went home.

Freddy's Ninth

Detroit Tigers blasted two triples, a double, and a home run among 14 hits and defeated the White Sox 8-4 before 12,710 Chicago fans. The victory stretched their league lead to 4 1/2 games.

Freddy Hutchinson gained his ninth victory, although Paul Caver and Dizzy Trout finished up. Starter Ken Holcombe, first of three Chicago pitchers, was the loser.

Long Homet

Alvin Dark hit a 280-foot home run in the 11th at New York to give the Giants a 3-2 National League victory over Brooklyn Dodgers.

The blow broke up a tight hurling duel between Brooklyn's Preacher Roe and Larry Jansen; it also dealt the slumping Dodgers their fifth straight defeat.

A crowd of 32,669 saw the game turn into a battle of home runs. Gene Hermanski made it 1-1 in the third with a homer and Gil Hodges' No. 10 sent the league champs ahead 2-1 in the fifth.

Hank Thompson tied the score with a homer in the sixth.

Out Of Cellar

Cincinnati Reds, who have had a long-term lease on last place in the National League, finally dug themselves out of the coal hole by beating Pittsburgh Pirates 8-5 at Cincinnati despite two home runs by Ralph Kiner.

The Cincinnati triumph dropped the Pirates into the last spot.

Kiner blasted home runs on each of his first two trips to the plate to run his season's total to 21. At the finish, however, it was Kiner who failed. The Pirates had two on and one out in the ninth when Kiner came to bat, but reliever Ewell Blackwell struck him out.

62 Golfers Entered In N. S. Tourney

SYDNEY, N. S., July 3—(CP)—Sixty-two golfers will take part in the Nova Scotia Golf Association's amateur and professional tournament, scheduled to get underway here tomorrow at the nine-hole Lingan Club.

Eddie Crowell of Halifax will defend his provincial amateur title, but a new professional champion will be named as Kas Zabowski of Halifax, last year's winner, isn't on hand to defend his title.

and then did the same thing to Gus Bell.

At Philadelphia Boston Braves beat the Phils 3-1 as Vern Bickford tamed the red-hot Phils for the second time this season. He limited the Philadelphiaans to five safeties, all singles. The Braves got to Ken Heintzelman and his successor, Mito Candini, for only five hits but three of those were for extra bases.

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The complete card for Friday night at the Forum was announced last night by promoter Charlie Archer and one has only to glance over the lineup to be convinced that action galore will be the order of the day (or night). The main bout will bring together Cobey McCloskey, 155, the present holder of the Island heavyweight title and Roger Whynott, 153, one of the cleverest boxers in the game today in a ten-rounder of 3 minutes each. This bout alone could produce some of the most scientific boxing ever seen in an Island ring.

The semi-final will come up with a title go between Bud Lund, 133, Island lightweight champion and Beau Jack, 135, challenger. This will be six 3-minute rounds of fast action. The ability of these two mitt slingers need no introduction.

The prelims will produce the usual snappy crowd pleasers when Bobby Gallant, 135, who floored Bud Lund for a count of nine in their last meeting will square off with Duck Trainor, 136, in a four-rounder.

The curtain riser will trot out Billy Rix, 125, an up-and-coming youngster who can handle himself in any company his weight. He will have as his opponent Austin Connolly, 125, who has already proven his staying power against his opponents.

All in all it is a well balanced card that should satisfy the most critical boxing fan. Whynott will arrive in the city today (Tuesday) and will be working out at the Forum each night, starting tonight.

McCloskey will also work out at the Forum at a different hour and fans are invited to look over these boys during these workouts.

The Forum will be open from six to eight for workouts for all those appearing on the card next Friday.

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Junior Baseball Game Tonight

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The game will give the Vics the opportunity of stretching their string of recent victories to four straight and to take over the sole possession of the league leadership for the second time this season.

The Vics are at present in a two-way deadlock with Knights of Columbus for the top spot.

A victory for Kinsmen will give them their second of the season in six starts, and will bring them to within one game of throwing the schedule into a three-cornered tie.

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