

SPORTS TRAIL

Yankees For Years Stood For Just About Perfection

By WHITNEY MARTIN
NEW YORK (AP)—The best series of sports pictures we have seen in quite a spell was run by one of the local newspapers the other day.

It showed Billy Martin, Yankee second baseman, miffing a routine ground ball; Mickey Mantle, centre fielder, having a fly ball pop out of his glove, and Mantle and left fielder Elston Howard crashing together as both tried to get the putout on another fly ball.

The picture accompanying the pictures was enlightening. It read: "Are These the Yankees?"

NEARLY PERFECT

The point is that the Yankees for years have been the symbol of excellence, or near-perfection.

Other clubs might bobble ground balls, mess up fly ball or get their signals mixed in the field with the calm and sedate Yanks taking full advantage of the misplays.

But not the Yankees, those businessmen ball players who made the difficult plays look easy; who came through with the big hit when it was needed; who sent pitchers to the mound who made the opposing basemen walk back to the bench talking to themselves.

To date the Yankees haven't been the Yankees of song and story. They are up there battling for the lead, but it hasn't been through their excellent play so much as the other teams' inability to take advantage of very ordinary play.

SLOPPY BASEBALL

They've been playing sloppy baseball, that's all.

Something has gone wrong. They are scrambling, instead of playing a polished game.

Yogi Berra, of course, hasn't been hitting. Neither have some of the other players. But that shouldn't affect the defence, always a strong point of the New York club. Or the pitching, which always has been good enough to hold the opposition in check while the sluggers methodically went to work.

You can't blame it on over-confidence. With men of almost equal ability vying for jobs overconfidence shouldn't be apparent.

It's just one of those things which make baseball so intriguing. The perfect team is showing its feet of clay. We still believe the Yankees will win, but on their play to date you have to have a few doubts.

Canadian Pilot Killed In Jet Crash Overseas

OTTAWA (CP)—Wing Cmdr. Herbert Collier Stewart, 38-year-old veteran of the Second World War, was killed Friday when his Sabrejet crashed while landing in Germany. He was officer commanding 434 Squadron with the RCAF's No. 3 Fighter Wing at Zweibrücken.

Air force headquarters said further details were not immediately available.

A veteran fighter pilot for two years during the Second World War, he retrained as a jet pilot at Chatham, N.B., and went overseas last year.

Wing Cmdr. Stewart was born at Calgary in 1919 and graduated from Royal Military College at Kingston, Ont. He joined the RCAF in January, 1940 proceeding overseas as a fighter pilot 10 months later. He remained there until December, 1942 when he returned to

Canada and was transferred to the wartime operational training unit at Greenwood, N.S. He was awarded the Air Force Cross in 1945.

He was chief flying instructor at Greenwood from May, 1943 until August, 1945 when he was transferred to the west coast. He attended the staff college at Toronto in 1947 and was posted to staff duties here in July 1948.

After two years at headquarters he went to Washington as an exchange officer with the United States Air Force where he re-

mained until July, 1953. He was officer in charge of the Canadian armed forces identification bureau here 1954-55 before going to Chatham for jet training.

His wife who survives lives in Zweibrücken.

Spot Mussolini Treasure Bags

MILAN, Italy (AP)—Two bags believed to contain a part of the Mussolini treasure were spotted

Friday in Lake Como by a skin diver.

The location of the bags was given to Como police by Capt. Otto Kisnat, Mussolini's body guard and formerly a German officer of the army special services. He told police the bags contain gold bars, jewels, gold coins and various folders of Benito Mussolini's personal documents.

Authorization to salvage the bags was received from Padua's court of assizes which is hearing the 12-year-old case of the treasure that the former fascist leader

tried to take to Switzerland.

Police were informed that the two bags were thrown in the lake on April 27, 1945 by Mussolini's body guard.

Mussolini and the treasure were captured by Communist partisans. The duce and his mistress, Claretta Petacci, were shot to death and the treasure—estimated to have been worth \$16,000,000—was seized by the partisans.

Police said they planned today to haul the two bags ashore.

POOL ROOF COLLAPSES

LIVINGSTON, Mont. (AP)—Ninety-seven swimmers escaped severe injury when the roof of an indoor pool collapsed Thursday. Three bathers were hurt, but none was reported in critical condition. Scores of others suffered cuts and bruises. Most of the swimmers had gathered to the sides of the building.

C. G. I. T. NEWS

July 16-26, — are the dates for the Girls camp at Augustine Cove. Any girl who attends a teen-age Sunday School Class and is 12 years old by June 1957 may attend. But! — 80 campers is the limit. Applications are to be sent to Mrs. Robert Carruthers, Kensington, Camp Registrar, by June 4, accompanied by the \$2.00 Registration Fee. \$14 for board is to be paid at Camp. Other information may be obtained from the Registrar.

O'LEARY C.G.I.T.

The "Alert" C.G.I.T. of O'Leary United Church have sixteen members under the leadership of Mrs. George Matheson and Mrs. Ted Sabine.

The officers are: Jean Coughlan, president, Georgie Mae Carruthers secretary and Elaine Palmer, treasurer.

Recently at the close of their mission study on South East Asia they invited their mothers to a mock radio broadcast which consisted of a panel discussion where reporting missionaries told of the changes brought about by the Church in the several countries studied. The radio broadcast was followed by a short devotional period and refreshments were served.

The girls and leaders planned a handicraft project for their next study. Mrs. J. W. Coughlan kindly offered her assistance.

MONTAGUE UNITED

The "Aketa" C.G.I.T. of Trinity United Church, Montague, re-affiliated with the W.M.S. on May 19, 1957, in the presence of a large number of members and guests invited from other sections of the pastoral charge. The service was conducted by the leader, Mrs. J.M. Fraser and the president of the W.M.S. Mrs. Leon Johnston.

The C.G.I.T. repeated their purpose and sang the C.G.I.T. Hymn. Assisting in the service were: Norma Annear, Veronica Taylor, Dorothy Annear, Dorothy MacDonald, Wendy Johnston, and Myrna Beck.

The president of the W.M.S. welcomed the group and presented the new members with Affiliation Badges.

This meeting closed by singing, "In Christ There Is No East Or West" and the Benediction.

Rev. J. M. Fraser then conducted the very expressive Lanyard ceremony when Veronica Taylor, Norma Annear, Dorothy MacDonald and Jill Blackland graduated into the Senior Group.

The Spiritual, "We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder", was sung, also the hymns, "God Who Touches Earth With Beauty" and as a dedication "Just As I Am, Thine Own To Be." Refreshments were served by the W.M.S.

CORNWALL

Cornwall C.G.I.T. consists of ten members from a rural community where the girls do not all live near the centre, but in spite of this they have had a successful winter as the following projects would indicate.

At Christmas, they sang carols in several homes of shut-ins and instead of exchanging gifts at their (\$5.00) to the Hungarian Relief. Later, assisted by the Sigma C. and other young children of the church made a special offering and raised \$30. for Dr. Sidney Gilchrist with which he has purchased a special light to be used in his microscope work in his laboratory at Angola, Africa.

During the winter, the group knit many useful articles such as an afghan and head banded with mittens to match, made scrapbooks, Christmas card booklets and some sewing also collected clothing, this was all sent to Hungarian Relief.

Each week a different member of the group visited a shut-in who has been a helpless invalid for years and brings her a treat. The leader of this group is Mrs. R. A. Patterson with Mrs. Walter Gregor as organist.

The officers are: President, Norma Howard, Vice President, Gail Lowther, Treasurer, Jeannie MacMillan, Secretary, Donna Wilson, Asst. Secretary, Vivian Drake.

KENSINGTON

The Kensington C.G.I.T. and Sigma C held a Film night recently when Temperance Films were shown. The films were: "Alcohol is Dynamite," "The Choice Is Yours" and "You Are Not Alone".

The W.M.S. served refreshments. The Lanyard ceremony was carried out last Friday evening when Margaret Murray and Libby Shuman were officially received as members of the Senior Group. The hymns "Follow th Stream" and "I Would Be True" were sung. Rev. L.M. Murray addressed the group and carried out the dedication services.

On Sunday evening, May 19, they participated in the Re-Affiliation service with the W.M.S. Mrs. Alexander MacKay, Auxiliary President, presided. Mrs. Bruce Roberts read the Scripture and Mrs. Harold Laird led in prayer.

Taking part in the ceremony, were the leaders, Mrs. Roberts, Mrs. Leslie Clark and Miss Dorothy McKenzie. Mrs. Roberts Carruthers, Auxiliary vice-president and younger groups and Mrs. L.M. Murray, Presbyterial Secretary for C.G.I.T. Groups and Mrs. Alexander MacKay W.M.S. president.

The girls taking part were Mona Mayhew Jean Murray, Sheila Caseley, Elizabeth Caseley and Judith Cousins. At this service the Explorer Group also Re-Affiliated with the W.M.S. and a film "A People Without Fear" was shown.

The Men's choir with Rev. L. M. Murray, organist was in charge of the Music and members of the W.M.S. ushered.

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