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On the Sidelines

Baseball is well on the way to being started here now, and with warmer weather approaching it is not amiss to discover where the boys are going to be playing this season, and what positions they will occupy. It is generally accepted that "Bus" McLenahan will captain the new Fredericton club, composed mostly of junior players. Jerry Myshrahl, Joe O'Connor, Harry Garvie, Lifford, Bud Myles and other seniors will augment the younger players. Devon will have the same club as last year with the exception of Garvie, and Marysville has a young crew of players who are expected to show much this summer. Minto with Charlie Nichols as moundman, and a number of former Y.M.C.I. players of Saint John will be the "dark horse" of the York-Sunbury League.

Jack MacKay, the city engineer, has already been delegated to fix up the Trotting Park, and it will be the brand new playing field for the home boys. The general feeling is that the Trotting Park will be far more adequate than Queen's Square as a ball park. Now the fans will be forced to pay as they go—something which many of them evaded in other years.

Along the U. N. B. campus, which will be sadly deserted in only a few more days, there is a rumor that the Sir Frederic Williams-Taylor medal for proficiency in athletics lies between Syd Thomas and Lester Inch, the latter of Marysville. Both are stellar athletes, capable in many branches of sport. The annual track and field tests took place this morning at College Field with great interest shown and some good feats performed.

SPORT SHORTS

JOE SIMPSON EAGLE PILOT
MONTREAL, May 14—Joe Simpson, former manager of the New York Americans, has been signed to pilot the New Haven Eagles of the Canadian-American hockey league.

GRIMM RETIRES FROM ACTION
CHICAGO, May 14—Charlie Grimm today announced he would retire as a player and devote all his time to his twin jobs as manager and vice-president of the Chicago Cubs.

MAJOR LEAGUES

YESTERDAY'S GAMES
National League
Cincinnati 3, Boston 1.
Chicago 3, Brooklyn 2.
St. Louis 3, New York 2.
Pittsburgh 10, Philadelphia 1.
American League
New York 0, Detroit 3.
Boston 2, St. Louis 1.
Philadelphia at Chicago, postponed (wet grounds).
Washington at Cleveland, postponed (rain).

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Lefty Walker Beats Hubbell Of The Giants

Leo Durocher Breaks up Game With Homer In 10th Inning—Moore Belts Two—Schoolboy Rowe Tames Yanks.

NEW YORK, May 13—Joe Moore hit two home runs to keep Carl Hubbell on even terms in the New York Giants' first clash of the season with St. Louis Cardinals today, but Leo Durocher smote one for the invaders in the 10th and that was the ball game, 3 to 2. It was "Lefty" Bill Walker's third victory for the Cards in four games this season. The only man who gave him any trouble at all was Joe Moore, the slender leftfielder, who opened the Giants' attack with a belt into the rightfield stands in the first inning, then popped another in there for his second try, both times with none on, for his sixth and seventh homers of the season.

American League
Lynwood (Schoolboy) Rowe, five times conqueror of New York Yankees last year, resumed his mastery over the New Yorkers today as he shut them out with four singles to give Detroit Tigers a 3-0 victory at Detroit in the teams' first clash of the season.

At the same time, Rowe emerged victorious in his first mound duel with Vernon (Lefty) Gomez, southpaw ace of the Yankees. Gomez was touched for two runs and six of the Tigers' hits before he was lifted for a pinch hitter in the seventh. Pat Malone finished the game.

LITTLE FINISHES 7TH IN BRITISH GOLF TOURNEY

Chittenden and Aitken, Unknowns, Tie for 1st place in Golf Event at Sandwich, Eng.

SANDWICH, Eng., May 13—Lawson Little, of San Francisco, American and British amateur champion, could finish no better than seventh on Saturday as two unknowns, R. H. Chittenden and W. H. Aitken, played to a tie in the 36-hole St. George's Challenge Cup golf tournament.

Chittenden had 80 for his morning round and followed with a 78 in the afternoon, and his total of 158 was equalled by Aitken's 81-77.

Little, plagued by an erratic putter on the wind-blown greens and second shots that wouldn't stay in line, had 82—79—161. The low temperature and biting wind bother Little from the start. He played in two heavy pull-over sweaters but frequently complained of the cold.

U. S. BEATS CHINA IN DAVIS CUP DOUBLES

Budge and Mako Victors Over Cheng and Kho—Austrian Team Wins Zone Play.

MEXICO, D. F., May 13—The United States clinched its Davis Cup tennis series with China today as the Californians, Donald Budge and Gene Mako, defeated Guy Cheng and Sin Kie Kho in doubles, 7-5, 6-2, 6-1.

The victory gave the United States a 3-0 lead in the five-match series. The two remaining singles matches, to be played tomorrow, cannot affect the outcome of the series. Bryan M. Grant of Atlanta, and Budge won the opening singles matches here Saturday.

By eliminating China, the American team qualified to face Mexico in the American zone finals here this week. The winner of that series will qualify to meet the European zone finalists.

EASTBOURNE, Eng., May 13—Australia scored two straight victories over New Zealand as the European Zone Davis Cup eliminations between the two countries opened here on Saturday.

Jack Crawford, Australian singles champion, defeated E. D. Andrews, who captained the 1934 New Zealand Davis Cup team, 6-4, 6-4, 7-5, and Vivian McGrath carried on against A. C. Stedman in a later match, 6-3, 6-2, 8-0.

CANADIENS TO REMAIN IN MONTREAL

Colorful Canucks' Admirers Pleased With New Contract Made With Forum Officials.

MONTREAL, May 14—Ratification of a new four-year agreement between Les Canadiens of the National Hockey League, and the owners of The Forum today removed the fright given Montreal hockey fans yesterday when they learned that Leo Dandurand, part owner of the "Flying Frenchmen" was ready to let the franchise lie idle for a year or remove the team from Montreal.

Dandurand met the arena's executives today. Later he said that the old agreement, which still has a year to run, had been replaced by one for four years. Its terms were not divulged.

PIRATE TREASURE OF OAK ISLAND IS ADVENTURE LURE

The pirate treasure of Oak Island, off Chester, Nova Scotia, on the south shore of that province, is up again. This time a New Yorker is willing to sink some \$125,000. to find out whether Captain Kidd did or did not bury treasure there. The surface of the island, which is not very large as islands go, is all dotted over with holes in which some real treasure has been sunk by feverish diggers within the last one hundred and forty years after the supposed hoard of gold. Whether or not there is gold buried on the island, the legend has given rise to a great many stories wherein the diggers recount weird sounds by night and supernatural frustrations of their attempts to recover the loot. It

NATIONAL BASEBALL LEAGUE RACE TO BE A HUMMER THIS YEAR

Pilots Are Giving Younger Players Chance To Show Their Worth—New Rookies Are Putting Dash and Color Into the Game—Giants the Team To Beat This Year, Says Cubs' Leader.

BOSTON, May 13—The National League is so much faster this year than five years ago that there is no comparison to be made. That is the opinion of Charley Grimm, manager of the Chicago Cubs, here on a three-day visit with the Braves.

"The reason is that there are so many newcomers to the clubs," he continued, "that it is hard to put any particular finger on any particular spot but take it from me, the National League race should be a hummer, especially if someone stops those Giants."

"They've got everything, including speed, pitching and defensive play. Bartell at shortstop has just about made that club, but I'm not conceding them everything. There are too many new faces in the league to pass judgment so early in the season."

"Take our own club, for example. Here's young Phil Cavaretta. In fact, he is so good that I'm perfectly willing to manage from the bench as long as he plays as well as he does."

And to digress for a moment, young Mr. Cavaretta, who is 18, despite contrary reports, though that is young enough, cracked out a couple of hits, a single and a double, accepted nine chances and made nary an error.

"It's the kids like Cavaretta, Blanton of the Pirates, our own Galan and the rest that have changed the National League over, seemingly overnight."

"The second division teams of last year are loaded with them. Just look at Brooklyn and Cincinnati. They are going to be tough medicine for any ball club. Make no mistake about that Cincinnati club. They've got speed, ambition and a lot of ability."

"There's Riggs at third, Myers at shortstop, Kampouris at second, Goodman and Byrd, none of whom was in there last year, and are they fast! Why, why, they'll run right up in the press box on you before you know it."

"That's what's going to make the National League race better this year than ever before. Those second division clubs aren't going to be the soft snaps that they formerly were. The teams that want to finish up at the top have them to worry about, just as much as they have the first division clubs to battle."

"It's a fight every day, this year. There is nothing to be taken for granted. I'd rather not be quoted about the Braves, except to say that you can take it for granted that Bill McKechnie will get all there is out of his squad."

is said a hidden drain causes flooding of the workings by water from the sea and borings have revealed pieces of cocoa matting and oak, supposedly from a chest, according to the Tourist Department of the Canadian National Railways.

Fisherman Makes Peculiar Catch

GRIMSBY, Ont., May 14—A catch too nasty to take off the hook is reported by C. McNinch, who went to Wellandport on a fishing trip. The creature has a head like a catfish, but lacks horns; a tail like a beaver, four feet and two fancy ears at the back of its head.

Apparently it cannot swim, but in the water it gets along on its feet with the aid of its tail. On land it waddles along on its feet.

Cubs Pitchers Cautious

"Sure, I think Ruth is an asset to the league. He will help the ball club and help the league all around. He will stimulate interest all around the National League circuit. I'm not one who believes that the Babe is all through. He should have a lot of baseball left in him, and I have instructed my pitchers not to take any chances with him up there at the plate."

"I was glad to see him out there today, although I was a bit anxious when he came up in the eighth with Maranville on base."

We called attention to the fact that yesterday's game was unique in that there were seven sacrifice hits, a return to the old style game of playing for one run, instead of taking a chance on the batter knocking the ball out of the park and cleaning up the bases.

It is a long time since any game can show that many sacrifice hits, but both Managers Grimm and McKechnie laid it to the exigencies of the occasion, rather than any switch in the style of play.

In seven of the nine innings, Chicago batters led off with safe hits. It was natural, therefore, for them to attempt to advance the baserunner into scoring position. Hence the unusual number of sacrifice plays.

Incidentally, that same young Mr. Cavaretta started the trouble in two of the innings in which the Cubs scored and broke open the disastrous 9th in which the Cubs scored three runs, with a rousing triple. He's all that Grimm said he was and appears to be one of those phenoms that appear once in a generation.

A smooth, left-handed worker, he never once made a false move at first base, stood right up there at the bat without a tremor, and while Betts made no move to dust him off, we have it from Grimm that though the St. Louis pitchers tried to drive him away from the plate, he came right back standing up and drove out hits that scored runs, or put himself in position to score himself.

"I put him on there," said Grimm, "because I feel that he is entitled to a chance. Not alone he, but every other young fellow who is trying to break in. They never can show their worth sitting on the bench. Branch Rickey has the right idea. He doesn't hesitate to shift his ball club around from year to year and give the youngsters a chance to show what they can do. It would be an injustice to Cavaretta, to the Cubs and to the game for me to step in there while he is going so well. He's got the spirit, the ambition and the pep. I've been 19 years in the big show, and it's an effort, to make an honest acknowledgement of fact, to display the ambition and spirit that a youngster of 18 would show."

"That's why I say the National loop is better this year than ever before. It's crammed with youngsters, and capable youngsters, too, who have the fire, the pep and ambition that we veterans can't arouse. Well, good luck to them. It's the game, after all, and I'm glad to see the spirit."

All of Grimm's laudatory remarks were confined to the play of his stellar first baseman, for he named many others on other teams, but his attitude towards Cavaretta was merely his reaction towards the host of young players breaking in.

WHITE SOX ARE HUSTLING TO GO PLACES

Jimmy Dykes has Smart Ball Crew This Season, Have Speed and Battering Punch.

CHICAGO, May 13—"We have crossed up the experts so far, and may continue to do so, just by way of variety, or something," said Jimmy Dykes, manager of the surprising White Sox, who until the Red Sox made their debut here were leading the American League. "I don't say we have a great club, but we're all hustling, and things have come our way," he went on. "Like most managers, I could use a pitcher, or maybe an outfielder that is not in danger of being hit by a fly ball."

"However, we're not asking favors of anyone. I knew that we couldn't go on winning forever in our park, but we did pretty well when you think it over."

Boston Batting Off
"The Red Sox hadn't been hitting, something I notice by reading the newspapers. And the pitchers haven't been too good. So I thought everything would be in his favor. I guess it was, at that, except for the Red Sox bats. The way shillelahed the ball the other day shows that they must have been made at somebody. But why they took it out on me I'll never know."

Without bragging, I'll say we have the best keystone combination in the American League. Where will you find better than Luke Appling and Jackie Hayes. I would appreciate somebody's telling me. Of course, old Zeke on first doesn't look exactly like Pavlowa when she's doing the swan dance, but the old codger holds onto them when he gets them, and he's about as mean as anybody in the circuit when he's swinging.

Change in Attitude
There's been a noticeable change in the attitude of this White Sox club, at that, in one short year. As Manager Dykes pointed out, the club has its shortcomings, but it's got spirit, also. Which accounts for a good deal of the club's early season success.

Among those who are veritably playing their heads off is Al "waterbucket" Simmons, who is guarding the centre-field sector for the House of Comiskey. And while Al is well recompensed for his efforts there have been times when it didn't appear that he was exerting himself too much when there was a little at stake, or the club didn't appear as if it were going anywhere.

But things are different now. Perhaps Al himself doesn't think the White Sox have a chance, but while they are up there, he's going to do his best to keep them there. This is characteristic of the entire club.

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