



SPORT



On the Sidelines

Ed Hurley, sports columnist in the Boston Daily Record has a few nice things to say about Babe Ruth and some criticism to make about other columnists. We hope Eddie is on the right side of the fence himself. He says:—

Perhaps I should have mentioned it before, the attitude of various New York baseball writers concerning Babe Ruth, back to his native baseball hearth, after 15 years absence, who not only threatens, but promises to shovel the Braves out of the red and into a place in the baseball sun.

At various times during the past couple of years, Ruth tossed newspapers aside after taking a peek at the financial columns. The boys were doing an old fashioned job on him and "Babe" didn't like that, after all he did for them over that long span of years. Instead of squawking, however, he remained silent, but his thoughts were packed with dynamite.

He'd show 'em if he ever got the chance. And now old Kid Opportunity is lolling around his front veranda.

And some of those birds who were yelling for Ruth's head only a few months ago, while they haven't exactly changed their tune, seem to realize that when it comes to clicking the gates, at least, Babe is still No. 1.

And here are a few choice thoughts lifted from some of the opening day reports of various New York baseball writers. Without using their names, or their journals, they sound like this: "No Ruth. No runs."

"She runs. She runs. The old car runs."

"The smallest crowd to turn out for a Yankee opening since the Stadium was built (1923)."

"Babe Through? He was through the Giants like water through a sieve."

"Somehow that big guy seems to grab the spotlight when the checks are down."

Just a few samples of what they really think of the big guy, no matter where his trapeze is strung up.

Perhaps you don't know that Ruth was hardly able to twist his neck after the opening game at the frost-coated Braves' wigwam. The coldest spot he ever patrolled, he says of left field at the tribal base. As long as he stays as hot as he was for the opener, he won't worry about a stiff neck, however.

The man without a country to represent at the 1936 Olympics, Leonard Spence, will establish residence in England next summer so he can swim for Britain in 1936. British Guiana born, he has won the United States breaststroke championship five years straight, but can't compete internationally for either.

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Schoolboy Rowe Wins First Game—Babe Hits Another Homer But Braves Lose — Cards Win.

NEW YORK, April 21—An Easter crowd of 23,000 saw the world champion St. Louis Cardinals defeat the Pirates at Pittsburgh this afternoon 6-1. The victory gave the Cards two wins in the three-game series and thrilled the biggest crowd at a game in Pittsburgh since 1929.

Jerome (Dizzy) Dean won his first game of the season as he held the Pirates to five hits. He was robbed of a shutout when Arky Vaughan hit a homer into the rightfield stands in the second to tie the score and match a circuit wallop into the same spot by Ripper Collins in the St. Louis half of the inning. Guy Bush worked seven innings for Pittsburgh. He was solved for nine hits and his support.

The lusty home run by Babe Ruth in the first inning kept the Braves from a shutout at the hands of the Brooklyn Dodgers in Boston before a crowd of 22,000, the Flatbushers winning 8-1 in easy fashion.

Four Boston errors contributed to giving the Dodgers three of the four games of the series. Last year the Braves lost but once in 11 home games to today's victors.

American League

Marvin Owen's sizzling grounder to short, scoring Charley Gehringer from third with the deciding run at Detroit, broke up a 13-inning ball game between the Tigers and Cleveland with Detroit on the long end of a 3-2 score. Monte Pearson, going the full route for Cleveland, allowed 10 hits, but Detroit bunched blows in the sixth and 13th to give "Schoolboy" Rowe his first victory of the season.

Rowe went in for Carl Fischer, a lefthander, at the start of the seventh and held the Indians to four hits and no runs.

The Schoolboy was in rare form and pitching with blinding speed.

Baseball Record

Cleveland, Miss., April 22—Non-superstitious N. A. Love of the Benoit High School baseball team looked over his 1935 pitching record today. It included:

An 18 to 13 victory over Pace High School on April 13—a game in which he allowed 13 hits and struck out 13 men.

Ab Gilroy, main mandarin of amateur hockey in Canada, declared in presenting the Allan Cup that Halifax Wolverines would do a "Hell Hitler" according to custom when they represent Canada at the Olympic games. There was some talk that the team would be leavened by players from Montreal and Toronto, but this appears to be idle chatter.

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SELKIRK, BABE'S SUCCESSOR, MAKES GOOD DEBUT

Big Canadian, Who Is In Ruth's Place Gets a Big Hand in First Game In Majors.

(By Henry McElmore)

Red-necked Joe McCarthy said "get it out there, boys," the New York Yankees scrambled from the dugout and, deploying fanwise, ran toward their positions.

I turned my glasses on the big, loose jointed youngster with the big "3" on the back of his clean flannel shirt.

Solemn As Pall-Bearer at Start

Not long before, in the clammy Yankee dressing room, No. 3, or George Selkirk, had tried to tell me how it felt to be dressing to take Babe Ruth's place. All about him, jobbing and cursing as they pulled on their pants, adjusted sliding pads and yanked at stockings, were his team-mates. It was nothing but wisecracks for them as they sloshed a handful of liniment on a touchy leg, tightened a shoe, or spat lustily in a new glove.

George didn't try to laugh or joke. He just stood there before his locker and dressed as solemnly as though he were going out to do a bit of pall-bearing. You didn't have to ask him what was running through his mind, how heavy a chunk of lead was riding his chest. You knew he was dreading that moment when he would have to run out into the vast reaches of Yankee Stadium with 30,000 critical pairs of eyes watching his every step.

As George fumbled nervously at his belt buckle you knew that right then, for the first time this big kid with the shock of tousled brown hair was beginning to realize that he was the Babe's successor—the man chosen above all others to field Babe's position in right, to take Babe's cut at the plate.

Bleacherites Cheer

A roar from the crowd above drifted down the ramps and into the dressing room. It had been music to the Babe's big ears. It made No. 3 jump a bit.

"Kinda scared about going out there George?" I asked.

"Naw, I ain't scared exactly, but I'll be damn glad when this one's over. What you reckon those bleacher guys will say when I get out there?"

I didn't get to answer, because he was called out, and the next time I saw him was when I picked him up in my glasses as he ran toward right.

I watched his face. It was a study. He was afraid and he wasn't afraid. The set of his jaw told you that. He passed first base and his face was hidden from my view. The boys in the bleachers stood up and yelled encouragement when he reached right field.

Then he turned around. That cheer had worked wonders. The frightened look was gone, and in its place was a school-boyish grin.

Nine innings later, after No. 3 had made one of the Yankees two hits and fielded perfectly, I went back to the dressing room. No. 3 was laughing now, No. 3 was cussing a little, No. 3

SHORE CLAIMS BEST BLOCKERS LINE PLAYERS

Points to Charlie Conacher as Possibility For a Good Defenceman—Leaves for West.

WINDSOR, Ont., April 22—To be an all-round defenceman, a player should have experience as a forward, in the opinion of Eddie Shore, adjudged No. 1 hockey player in the National Hockey League and awarded the Hart trophy for his usefulness and effectiveness during the season just ended.

The sturdy Boston Bruin defenceman, who doesn't look nearly so robust in his "civvies" as he appears in a hockey uniform, visited Windsor the other day to purchase a new automobile before departing for his farm near Edmonton, Alta.

It was inevitable hockey should be discussed with the game's greatest showman, but Shore also talked of basketball, his years as a cowpuncher, his work on the railroad and his farm. The opinion concerning defencemen was expressed when the subject of Charlie Conacher, Toronto Maple Leafs' great right-winger, dropping back to the rear guard was brought up.

"It will take Conacher a year or more to learn how to play defence properly," declared Shore. "Then if he makes a go of it his ability to lay down a pass and take a pass, gained as a forward, will prove invaluable to him."

The Boston dynamo then revealed something of not common knowledge that he played as a forward while an amateur and he signed a pro contract as a forward.

While not declaring a player who has always played back could not learn to receive a pass or accept one, he said that such a player found it much harder to do so.

Discussing the recent Stanley Cup series between Montreal and Toronto, Shore said the three straight victory of Maroons was not a real indication of the respective merits of the two teams.

"The Leafs were a tired team after they got through with us," he said. "In our series we had to play for a decision, not goals, and as a result there was a tendency for the players to extend themselves to the limit."

If the Toronto players had been as fresh as their rivals, the series would have lasted five games, he declared, with the ultimate result a toss-up.

The conversation switched to basketball as the approaching series between Edmonton Grads and Windsor-Walkerville Alumnae for the Canadian women's senior championship opening here Saturday, was brought up.

Shore, whose wife is Kate McRae, one of the outstanding members of the original Grad team, doesn't think the present club measures up to the calibre of the Percy Page-coached teams of others years.

"Why the Grads of five years ago

was wisecracking and No. 3 was swinging a wet towel.

"Didn't find it so bad, did you?" I asked. "Hell, it was swell," he said. "The first guy that yelled at me, a guy in a derby, said:

"Don't worry, kid. You'll put a lot of flies in your hip pocket that the Babe couldn't touch with a 10-foot pole." Another seeing me beat my hands together to keep from freezing, offered to come down and build me a fire. And did you see that hit I got? It sure did feel good."

WHAT BABE DID IN 20 YEARS IN BASEBALL

NEW YORK, April 22—A little stock-taking on the glamorous 20-year American League reign of Babe Ruth as he shifts his bat to the National League and perhaps starts another chapter in the saga of making life miserable for pitchers:

Baseball's all-time home run king has belted out 723 home runs—708 in pennant campaigning and 15 in world series warfare. The total is just 27 shy of his lifetime goal of 750. Sixteen of the licks came with the bases loaded.

Pitchers contributing to the carnage numbered 218. The Babe poled 493 round trippers off right-handed hurlers. Southpaws were sapped 225 times.

Hit 59 Homers Here

Next to New York, where the Babe sent 346 drives soaring over the palings at the Polo Grounds and Yankee Stadium, the Philadelphia Park was Ruth's favorite. He trotted around the bases there 68 times. Detroit was good for 59 homers, and Boston and St. Louis each provided 55.

Washington was his jinx town. The Babe found the range there only 34 times.

Rube Walberg, now of the Boston Red Sox is "president" of the Babe Ruth Club, composed of the 218 hurlers who have contributed to Ruth's official home run record.

Walberg, although a southpaw, was Ruth's victim no less than 17 times. George Daus, a righthander formerly with the Detroit Tigers, was nicked 14 times, bringing him the "vice-presidency."

The Babe "kissed" Howard Ehmke of the Tigers, Red Sox and Athletics; Milt Gaston of the Browns, Red Sox and White Sox, and Walter Stewart of the Browns and Senators 13 times each; George Uhle of the Indians and Tigers and Earl Whitehill of the Tigers and Senators 12 times each and Jack Russell of the Red Sox, Indians and Senators 11 times.

Walter High on List

Walter Johnson, than whom nobody ever threw a higher or a harder ball, is among six twirlers off whom Ruth fired 10 homers.

Seven members of the "Babe Ruth Club" since have transferred to the National League and will be in line for promotion when the firing gets underway this season.

Tom Zachary, once a world series hero with Washington and a ninetime Ruth victim, did his spring training with Brooklyn this year. Waite Hoyt and Danny Macfayden, who functioned on the throwing end of Ruth homers five times each are with Pittsburgh and Cincinnati.

Other club members who may get a shot at the old master this year are: Sylvester Johnson of the Phillies; Tony Freitas of the Reds; Weaver of the Pirates.

would spot this year's outfit 10 points or more and beat them," he remarked. "They were bigger, brainier and never knew when they were beaten."

Cow as Mascot

BUENOS AIRES, April 22—The most popular wrestler here is Omar Vignole, Argentine writer and strong man. He was the first to take a cow into the arena with him. His cow is his mascot and constant companion. Vignole got a bad beating here one night and the crowd threatened to beat up his opponent. They just had to give Vignole and his cow the decision.

Call the Police

TORONTO, April 22—Little Beaver, a wrestler who works the Eastern Canadian and United States circuit, makes only one stipulation when he contracts for a bout. He demands police protection. The Indian says he has been struck by everything from pop bottles to chairs, thrown by irate fans. They don't like him and Beaver knows it—and likes it. But he doesn't like the bottles.

Tigers Strong

HAMILTON, April 22—In point of reputation Hamilton Tigers are one of the strongest hockey teams Canada ever sent to England or Europe except in Olympic years. The Bengals were Ontario champions and eastern senior finalists in 1934 and Ontario finalists this season. Max Bennett is one of the best amateur forwards in the country.

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