



SPORT



LOU GEHRIG HAS RUTH'S OLD JOB, CAPT. OF YANKS

Babe Ruth Chased Fan Through the Stands In Argument and Lost the Captaincy in 1922.

NEW YORK, May 2—Appointment of Lou Gehrig as captain of the New York Yankees gives that club an official field leader for the first time since mid-season in 1922. Thirteen years ago Babe Ruth, who had been named captain on his acquisition from the Red Sox in 1920, was deposed by order of the late Ban Johnson, then president of the American League.

The Babe sought repeatedly to regain the post, but his pleas were lost on deaf ears both in the manager's cubicle at the stadium and in the front office on W. 42nd Street.

Just so long as Ruth remained with the club the captaincy had to be kept packed away in camphor. After the Babe's release to the Braves the suggestion that Gehrig be appointed to the vacancy was made. Favorable action came after a conference including Colonel Ruppert, Joe McCarthy and Ed Barrow.

It is recalled that the apparent provocation for Ruth's loss of the field leadership was his chase through the Polo Grounds grandstand after a fan who had shouted uncomplimentary names at the home run slugger.

Having taken drastic action following a similar exploit by Ty Cobb in the same park, Johnson cut loose with a vehement diatribe, fined Ruth \$50, and sent him a letter demanding his resignation as captain.

However, it may be said at this time that Johnson's action was not without prompting from Miller Huggins and Barrow. Hug felt that the Babe was translating the term "captain" too broadly and was paying too much attention to details which the manager felt came entirely within his own province.

So the Babe was fired, and now, 13 years later, one of New York's own, a product of the pavements and sandlots of Harlem, the High School of Commerce and Columbia College steps into the long vacant post.

The appointment of Gehrig was brought about by something more than a mere desire to have a captain. It is the first major move in the campaign to develop the Iron Horse into a successor to Ruth. And it is an important phase of the effort to build up Lou's psychology and his sense of importance in major league baseball in general, and in the stadium scheme in particular.

Bowling Tourney Opens Tuesday At Winterport City

SAINT JOHN, May 2—Twenty-eight matches are scheduled for the three-day play in the Maritimes-Eastern Maine pin classic which will open on Tuesday morning at ten o'clock on Black's Alley, Main Street.

The schedule released last night shows that each team will compete in seven matches.

Black's are the defending champions, Y.M.C.A. and Porter's Lucky Strikes were runners-up last season and both teams with Fredericton will give their best in an endeavor to win the Brunswick-Balke-Collandar trophy and the championship of 1935.

All four teams are strong and it is understood that Central and Imperial alley fives will have some of the finest tournament bowlers on their lineups and they may furnish an upset.

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TOKIO TO GET CALL FOR 1940 OLYMPIC GAMES

Italy Passes Up Chance For Games in Favor of Far East Nation—Japs To Build Sport Village.

The 1940 Olympic Games are practically certain to be held in Tokio, now that Signor Mussolini has sportingly agreed to waive Italy's claim to staging the games.

The news was splashed across the front pages of every Japanese newspaper which expressed their appreciation of Signor Mussolini's very friendly gesture.

Meanwhile the preliminary preparations which have already been going on for some time in anticipation of the games being allotted to Japan, will be pushed ahead with greater speed.

To Spend Five Million Yen

The municipality is planning to spend 5,000,000 yen (approximately \$1,250,000) for the erection of a huge up-to-date stadium and an "Olympic Village" possessing all the modern comforts for the accommodation of athletes.

It is considered that the selection of Tokio as the venue for the Olympic games marks the world's appreciation of Japan's great stride in recent years.

It is announced that a wide world's fair is being planned for 1940 to celebrate the 2,600th anniversary of the accession of Emperor Jimmutenno, the founder of the Japanese Empire.

Italy's attitude towards Japan's plea for the honor of holding the games to coincide with the anniversary celebrations was made known in Rome recently when Mussolini informed Count Soryejima, who travelled from Japan to interview the Italian dictator on the subject, that he had agreed to waive Italy's claim.

In return for Italy's sporting gesture, the Japanese ambassador in Rome and Count Soryejima, who is a member of the Olympic committee, agreed that the Japanese government would support Italy's claim to hold the 13th Olympiad in Rome in 1944.

ED DON GEORGE TO MEET LEWIS AT MONTREAL

Last Bout Ended in a Free-for-All When the "Strangler" Went on a Rampage After Fall.

MONTREAL, May 2—Ed Don George the worlds heavyweight professional wrestling champion, has agreed to defend his crown in a return engagement against Ed. "Strangler" Lewis, former titleholder, at the Mount Royal Arena next Monday evening according to an announcement made today by Promoter Lucien Riopel.

These two mat stars clashed at the Forum a few weeks ago in a bout which saw Lewis disqualified for a wild display of temper in which he knocked down five men, including Don George and Lewis' own manager. The bout was to be to a finish, but after Lewis had secured the opening fall and George had squared matters the challenger's temper became uncontrollable and after a furious outburst by Lewis the champion was declared victor via disqualification on the part of Lewis.

Promoter Riopel stated today in announcing the date for the return bout for the world's title that it was possible that a request for a neutral referee would be made with the Montreal Athletic Commission. It was also hoped that the bout would be allowed to go to a finish.

'Dizzy' Dean Beat The Reds At Cincinnati

Gomez Fizzled Badly As Relief Hurler Against Washington — Giants Break Jinx.

NEW YORK, N. Y., May 1—Vito Tamulis' wildness caught up with him in the ninth inning today and "Lefty" Gomez fizzled badly as a relief hurler. As a result Washington scored three runs in the final frame to defeat the Yankees 7-6 at Yankee Stadium ending New York's six-game winning streak.

Tamulis was yanked after walking two in the ninth. Pat Malone retired one batsman then Gomez appeared to face the southpaw hitters, passed Joe Kuhel and yielded a single to Cliff Bolton and a double to Jake Powell which brought home the deciding runs.

The Indians strengthened their grasp on first place in the American League by scalping Chicago White Sox 11-5 at Cleveland.

Boston Red Sox won a see-saw game with the Athletics 8-6 at Philadelphia. The defeat was the fifth straight for the Mackmen.

Rick Ferrell drove in the winning run with a single in the ninth, and scored later on a wild throw by Jimmie Foxx.

Foxx hit his fifth home run of the season with one on base off "Dusty" Rhodes in the sixth. Roy Johnson hit for the circuit for Boston.

Cold weather at St. Louis forced postponement of the Detroit Tigers-Brown tilt.

NATIONAL HOOP

NEW YORK, N. Y., May 1—With great sighs of relief but amid the deepest of Brooklyn gloom, New York Giants finally crowned their jinx at Brooklyn today, beating Casey Stengel's Dodgers 8-3 for the first time since the Flatbush Fusillers knocked them out of the 1934 pennant last fall.

Dizzy Won

"Dizzy" Dean held down the Reds until it was too late for them to catch up, and St. Louis Cardinals made it two out of three in the series by a 5-2 victory at Cincinnati today.

Dizzy limited the Reds to three hits until the eighth, when he weakened enough to walk two in a row, and granted a double, but pulled through in the ninth after Byrd tripled and Kampouris singled him in.

STATUS OF CHAMP GIRL ATHLETE TO BE LOOKED INTO

"Babe" Didrikson's Case To Be Taken Up by the Amateur Moguls in the United States.

NEW YORK, May 2—Members of the Amateur Status Committee of the United States Golf Association today began an investigation of the athletic career of Mildred (Babe) Didrikson of Texas, although her case has not officially been brought to their attention. She recently won her state championship and is expected to be a contender for the United States women's golf title next August at Minneapolis.

The famous Lone Star girl, who reaped a harvest for the United States in the 1932 Olympic at Los Angeles and then at the close of the year turned professional, has played baseball, basketball and billiards for money within the past two and one-half years.

Following the Olympics, Miss Didrikson interested herself in golf and last week made her major tournament debut, signaling it by winning the medal in the Texas State champion-

HER TASTE IN HUBBIES — BIG, BRAUNY ONES

AGUA CALIENTE, Mexico, May 2—Judith Allen, demure film actress whose taste in husbands runs to the big, strong fellows, was married secretly Sunday night to Jack Doyle, Irish heavyweight boxer.

Because Miss Allen gave her legal name as Marie Elliot, of New York, and Doyle signed the register as John Joseph Doyle, their identities did not become known until last night.

She gave her age as 22 and her home as Providence, R.I. She obtained a divorce from Gus Sonnenberg, the wrestler, in Reno eighteen months ago.

Doyle, whose home is in Queens-town, Ireland, is known to the boxing world as the "Irish thrush." He recently was signed to a film contract to make one-reel musicals.

ship and then defeating the experienced Mrs. Dan Chandler in the final.

Will Seek Title

Her announced intention of entering the women's championship caused some eyebrow-lifting on the part of A. M. Reid's amateur committee. While Reid and his associates have not as yet and will not officially take action in the "Babe's" case until such time as she files an entry for the championship, they have started gathering data on her activities in the professional field.

"The fact that Miss Didrikson is a professional in some sport other than golf is not necessarily a controlling factor," said Reid. "The question to be decided will be if her professional activities in other sports has been to the detriment of the game of golf. Another matter which will receive consideration is her endorsement of articles in public advertisements."

The U.S.G.A. set a precedent by barring Mary K. Browne from the women's golf championship after she turned professional in 1926 and joined the great Suzanne Lenglen in a tour.

Miss Browne, three times winner of the United States tennis title, went to the final round of the National Golf Championship in 1924. She was reinstated as an amateur golfer in 1930 and has returned to national competition.

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HOW MONTREAL MAROONS WON STANLEY CUP PLAY-OFFS

Nary a Word, Says Tay Pay of Gorman's Strategy in Play-off Games; Played Same Style As Opponents.

How did Montreal Maroons win the Stanley Cup?

They won it by playing different hockey against each of the three teams they met in the play-offs, according to an analysis prepared by Tommy Gorman, the Maroons' manager.

"They met every possible requirement," Gorman said.

Here he reveals the strategy that brought Montreal the world's championship in hockey:

"Maroons played defensive hockey against Chicago, which teams plays that style.

"Maroons played wide open hockey to cope with the New York Rangers.

"Maroons then smothered Toronto's great line."

Alex Connell, Baldy Northcott and Cy Wentworth were named by Gorman as the team's outstanding individual heroes.

"Three wonderfully balanced lines, two solid defence units and plenty of young reserve strength pulled us through despite injuries," Gorman added.

"I think the Maroons this year were the greatest modern hockey team yet produced. They were the greatest I ever handled, and good teams make good managers."

AUTO DRIVERS COPY GRIDDERS WITH HELMETS

Automobile racing drivers soon may resemble football players—they have been ordered to wear safety crash helmets beginning May 1.

The contest board of the American Automobile Association issued the order in its latest move toward safer competition on the nation's speedways. The edict also includes dirt track drivers.

Crash helmets are made of light, comfortable and unbreakable materials and are lined with shock-absorbing rubber headpieces. They are similar to helmets worn by miners.

Major H. O. D. Segrave introduced the equipment in the United States during his world record speed trials at Daytona Beach, Florida. The contest board said the helmets would help to prevent fatal accidents.

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BASEBALL IS PROGRESSING IN FRANCE

French Sport Leader Is Optimistic As To Outcome of the Pastime in His Country.

PARIS, May 2—Baseball will be firmly implanted as a national sport in France by 1945, George Bruin, president of the Federation Francaise de Baseball et de Theque, said today.

"There has been so much interest shown in the sport in recent months that I feel very optimistic of its future," said Bruin. "I expect to see more than 400 teams in action throughout France within two years.

Even though the grown-ups are dyed-in-the-wool soccer and rugby addicts and cannot be expected to shift their loyalty to baseball, Bruin places his hope in the present young generation. He is convinced that the American pastime will take on here because of its spectacular character and possibility of individual exploits on the field, which appeals strongly to the Gallis temperament.

Until recently the federation had been held back by lack of funds and organized support and inability to find playing fields or instructors.

Even though the financial angle is just as acute as ever, baseball here has just received its greatest impetus to date with support pledged by the National Athletic and Gymnastic Society, with branches throughout the country. It will give the federation access to its fields and furnish the young and future stars of the diamond. This human material to develop into gymnastic organization is interested in baseball because of its athletic worth and because it is "an exercise complete in itself."

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