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## YANKEE CAMP WITHOUT RUTH HAS ODD LOOK

Mgr. McCarthy Is Faced With the Difficulty of Turning Out a Winner Without the Great Hitter—Outfield Problem.

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., Mar. 16—The Yankees began another training season today, but this time—the first time in fifteen years—the towering and dominating figure of Babe Ruth was not among the hopeful assortment of athletes who raised the curtain on the prelude to another pennant race. The Babe will be here all right, but he will be laboring under different colors.

Of course there are sentimental aspects to the passing of the Bambino, for the attachments of fifteen years are not easily or willingly shaken off. Watching another Yankee team assemble without the bulking figure of the Babe rams home with all the force of reality how much of the romance and glamour of the team emanated from the old rascal.

### McCarthy on the Spot

The Babe is gone and to the one man, perhaps, who has been affected most by his going, this is the most significant training session the Yanks have yet begun. Joe McCarthy might find in Ruth's passing to the Braves the removal of a situation that was personally embarrassing. It is possible that he is enjoying a peace of mind that has not been his since he took over the management of the club in 1931. But at the same time has come a new responsibility and a new concern. With the Babe gone McCarthy finds himself in—or on—the spot where he has to bring home a winner.

So, with the opening of another Yankee camp today, it was the one task of Joe McCarthy and his lieutenants to evolve a winner out of the talent, old and new, which crawled back into baseball flannels after a winter layoff. This week will be taken up with the pitching, and all but Lefty Gomez and Red Ruffing of the 13 hurlers due to report, are on hand. Gomez, who signed his contract at a nice raise in salary has been in camp for a week or more.

At the moment, McCarthy is counting on carrying nine pitchers: Gomez, Ruffing, Johnny Broaca, Johnny Murphy and DeShong are the nucleus around which this squad will be built. If Russ Van Atta and Johnny Allen, both of whom have provisional dollar-a-year contracts, demonstrate while here that they have completely recovered from their physical ailments of last season, they will bring the number of those who appear to be set up to seven. This leaves two jobs for

## HENEBERRY, AUSSIE CHAMP, COMING OVER

Middleweight Champ of the Antipodes to Meet Leading Fighters in the United States and Canada.

BOSTON, March 18—When Al Lippe returns to New York with his trio of boxers who have made such a wonderful impression in Australia, Fred Heneberry, the middleweight champ of Australia will be with him.

Heneberry is said to be a second Les Darcy. He has beaten all the middleweights, and he went out of his class and whipped Ambrose Palmer, the heavyweight champion.

When Lippe and his boys start their comeback, they will return via New Zealand, China, Japan, India, Egypt, Italy, Spain, France and England.

Vernon Cormier of Worcester (formerly of Amherst, N. S.) has out-classed all the featherweights he met. And Phil Zwick of Cleveland, and Bobby Wilson of Washington established themselves thoroughly in the Land of the Southern Cross.

Lippe, in a letter, states that boxing has been re-established in Australia and once again the customers are jamming the halls.

On a recent fishing trip in Rushcutters Bay, near Sydney, Cormier hooked a 410-pound shark, but in order to get the maneater aboard their craft Bobby Wilson had to use a pair of bullets.

Lippe is enthusiastic about Heneberry, and he is confident that he will make good in the United States and Canada.

## Trojans Victors

SACKVILLE, March 17—Saint John Trojans came out victors by a score of 41-32 over a vastly improved Mt. Allison quintet here last night in the first of a home-and-home series to decide the N. B. senior finalists.

The second game will be played in Saint John on Tuesday, March 19.

"Beef" Andrews, former Mountie, led the scoring against his former team-mates with 18 points. Stratton, lanky rear guard for Saint John, and Izzy Hyski of Mount Allison, tied for second with 11 each.

Henry McDonald, Howard (Red) LaFlamme, Big Walter Brown, right-hander, and Marvin Duke, Clifford Melton and Vito Tamulis, left-handers, to dispute.

### Outfield Presents Problem

However, the pitching nominations offer more of a problem to the candidates themselves than to McCarthy. If the talent he has runs to its form he has nothing to worry about on this score. It is in the outfield where pennant winning players have to be found to go on either side of Ben Chapman, that Boss McCarthy has to find a few answers. The infielders and outfielders are not due to report until next Monday, but Joe already has begun his mental acrobatics about them.

Earle Combs and Dixie Walker, who may hold the whole answer within themselves, have stolen a jump on their rivals for an outfield job and were among the players out for an early practice. George Selkirk, who is regarded as a potential regular, is also working out. Joe has had fine reports on both Combs and Walker, from observers who watched them work out with the Braves during the past week, but now he will get a first-hand himself, and until he does is reserving all opinion.

Jane Froman overalls may become a fad after all. A radio listener who saw a picture of the popular singer working in her kitchen garbed in overalls has written Miss Froman,

## Wolves Meet Eskimos Full Of Confidence

First Game of Series Tomorrow Evening — Mosher Fully Recovered From Injuries—A Formidable Line-up.

HALIFAX, N. S., March 17—Full of confidence, Halifax Wolverines leave tomorrow for Edmundston, N. B., where they will meet the Eskimos Tuesday night in the first of a two-game series for the Maritime hockey championship.

With Captain Ernie Mosher fully recovered from injuries he received playing against Charlottetown Abegweits for the Maritime Hockey League championship and the Senior "A" title of the district, the Wolverine lineup will be at full strength.

Manager Jack Conn said tonight he was "naturally confident" his team would win the series which carries a berth in the Allan Cup playdowns with it. The Eskimos recently defeated the Kentville, N. S., Wildcats to win the Maritime Senior "B" title, but Wolverines have won by large margins from several teams which Kentville played during the year.

Wolverines' probable lineup Tuesday night will be: "Daddy" Bubar, defence, Frank Graham, Frank Lavigne; centres, Ernie Mosher, Mickey McGlashen; right wings, Frank Shields, Ron Hudson; left wings, "Chummie" Lawlor, Owen Lennon. Two other players may make the trip. They are Vince Ferguson, left wings and defence, and Everett Porteous, right wing.

## Hockey Results

PLAYED SATURDAY  
National Hockey League  
Canadiens 3, Toronto 5.  
Americans 0, Maroons 0 (overtime)  
Chicago 5, Boston 2.

International League  
Detroit 1, London 2.  
Buffalo 5, Cleveland 1.

Canam League  
Quebec 2, Philadelphia 0.

### Thunder Bay-Manitoba Senior Play-offs.

Port Arthur Bearcats 5, Winnipeg Falcons 2. (Bearcats win series best two of three games and advance meeting either Edmonton, Alberta, and Pacific Coast champions, or North Battleford, champions of Saskatchewan, in the Western Canada Allan Cup final).

Winnipeg-Port Arthur Junior Playoffs  
Winnipeg Monarchs 8, Port Arthur Juniors 0. (First game of best two of three-game series).

Montreal Provincial Playoffs  
Verdun Maple Leafs 4, Cranes 2. (First of two-game, total-goal final series).

O. H. A. Junior "A" Finals  
Kitchener Juniors 5, Oshawa Majors 4. (Second of best two of three-game series for title. Oshawa won first game).

PLAYED SUNDAY  
National Hockey League  
Chicago 5, Rangers 2.  
Canadiens 2, Detroit 6.

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## Louis Not Ready Yet For Baer, Says His Manager

CHICAGO, March 18—Joe Louis, the sensational negro heavyweight from Detroit, will not be ready for a championship bout with Max Baer for another year at least.

This was the statement made today by Julian Black, co-manager of Louis, in answer to reports that a heavyweight title bout with Baer was in the making. Black said his charge needed more experience, but added:

"Joe will fight any of the leading contenders, including Primo Carnera, Max Schmeling and Art Lasky. But the champion is out."

SACRAMENTO, Calif., Mar. 18—Max Baer, the heavyweight champion, has no scruples about meeting Joe Louis, the sensational Detroit boxer, in a championship bout—providing sufficient cash is laid on the line.

## HELEN WILLS PRACTICING FOR COMEBACK

Former Tennis Champ Had First Workout and Made a Good Showing, Says Instructor.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 16—The comeback trail loomed today for Mrs. Helen Wills Moody as the former American and world's champion tennis player laid plans for daily practice with the hope of again becoming an international competitor.

On a private court here yesterday the former queen of the courts swung her racket in practice for the first time since 1933, when a back injury forced her out of the national championships.

Only Howard Kinsey, former internationalist and present instructor, was taken into Mrs. Moody's confidence in yesterday's return to the court. She returned to her home afterward and made little comment.

"Mrs. Moody hit the ball easily and her stroking was good," Kinsey said. "I was impressed with her technique and she did everything in proper balance."

So went the return to the courts of the woman who as a girl in her teens surprised the tennis world in 1923 by winning the national women's singles title and forging to victory in the Wightman Cup matches at Wimbledon, Eng.

National women's singles champion seven times between 1923 and 1931, Mrs. Moody was forced to default to Helen Jacobs during the 1933 matches because of a displaced vertebra.

Zora Layman, noted songstress who has just joined Roxy's gang, is known as the girl with two voices; she sings concert style as well as the hottest blues. She confesses a weakness for jade; has rings, necklaces, brooches, bracelets and other trinkets in jade, and even her car is a jade green.

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## BILL TERRY LEARNING HIS TEAM TO BUNT

Teaching His Giants To Bunt in Spring Training—Won World Series Game on a Bunt in '33.

NEW YORK, March 18—Bill Terry, according to the news from Miami, is teaching the Giants to bunt. The only surprising phase of this is that he didn't do it before. A team that lacks as a dynamic punch, as the Giants do, frequently is under a terrific handicap if it cannot bunt its runners into scoring position. Moreover, a well-placed bunt by way of starting an inning sometimes will upset an enemy pitcher who has had the situation under control, especially if the pitcher is weak on fielding bunts, as so many pitchers are. The Giants won a game in the 1933 world series mainly because Gus Mancuso, slowest man on the team, and rated least likely to bunt, laid one down, thus confounding not only the Washington pitcher, but the Washington infield as well. It is possible that a few well placed bunts would have won a sufficient number of games for the Giants last year to have staved off the disaster that overtook them in September.

Most players who cannot advance a runner with a sacrifice, but bunt the ball so that it is possible for the opposing team to make a play on the runner, fail because they try too hard to beat out the bunt instead of being willing literally to sacrifice themselves. There is no reason why any hitter who goes to the plate for the purpose of merely laying down a sacrifice bunt cannot do so if he plants himself squarely and takes his time, caring not what happens to him as long as he lays the ball down in such fashion that it will be impossible for pitcher or infielder to make a play with it at second base or third.

One of the best bunters this writer ever saw was the late Urban Shocker of the Yankees. When he was ordered to sacrifice the enemy catcher would charge out from behind the plate and the pitcher, 1st baseman and 3rd baseman come charging in, hoping to pounce on it in time to head off the runner, but they charged in vain because he invariably placed the ball where the only possible play was on him. Somebody once asked him for the secret of his unerring accuracy.

"There isn't any secret to it," he said. "I just stand still and put my bat on the ball. The only way you possibly can miss doing that is by trying to get away from the plate too quickly, and I don't do that because the idea is not for me to beat out the bunt, but to push a runner along from first to second or from second to third."

Up to now the only Giants who have shown any skill at bunting are Travis Jackson and Hughie Critz, who manage now and then to beat one out. The others have been woefully weak in an important but frequently neglected detail in the art of winning ball games.

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## TORONTO YOUTH LOOKS LIKE A BIG LEAGUER

TORONTO, March 18—If the name Gordon Fanning graces the roster of some National Hockey League seven or eight, or perhaps nine years hence, don't say you weren't tipped off! The name belongs to a 13-year-old boy who plays defence for Northern Vocational school in the Toronto Hockey League bantam series for boys under 15 years of age.

Now engaged in playoffs, the Northern bantams, coached by an older pupil, Archie Campbell, won their group title with eight straight victories. In the eight games, they scored 72 goals. Heading the rush to the group honors was the youthful Fanning, who, despite the fact he placed on the defence, scored 32 goals and assisted in 17 others.

### Got Eight in Game

In one game Fanning scored eight times. According to Coach Campbell, who is only 17 himself, his protegee is "one swell little hockey player." Fanning is a fine skater, a good stick-handler and has a tricky hip and body shift which saves him a lot of trouble when opposing defencemen attempt to close in on him.

Fanning's record doesn't compare with the one established in Port Arthur a year ago by Frankie Parker, who scored 101 goals in 14 games in a bantam league—but it's still quite a performance.

## CONACHER SETS NEW RECORD

TORONTO, March 17—St. Patrick's Day was one of celebration for Charley Conacher, as the big Irish right-winger of the Toronto Maple Leafs was able to boast a new all-time scoring record for the National Hockey League under present rules.

Conacher put on a one-man show here last night as he led the Leafs to a 5-3 victory over the Montreal Canadiens, scoring three of his team's goals and taking a turn in the nets himself when George Hainsworth was slightly injured.

The trio of counters gave Conacher a total of 34 goals which he scored in 1931-32. In 1929-30, when scoring was much easier through freer rulings at the blue line, Cooney Welland while playing with Boston, marked up 43 goals.

Hee Kilrea and Bill Thoms were the other Toronto marksmen while Leroy Goldsworthy, Wilder Larochelle and Jack McGill counted for Canadiens.

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