The Way I See It

By GARY OAKES
Sports Editor

A fight between the city Parks Commission and the Prince Rupert Senior Women's Softball League may erupt in the next few months. The commission intends to move the gals out of Gyro Park and build tennis courts there. Then they will relocate the softball at Algoma Park and the girls can rub elbows with Little League, men's softball, Columbia Cellulose softball and soccer. Just one big family. Everybody will be happy. At least they're supposed to be.

But everybody won't be happy. Almost everyone connected with women's softball — players, coaches, managers, sponsors and fans, is against the move. They claim the attendance will drop considerably as will the calibre of ball. They feel that tennis courts could be built somewhere else.

They are correct to a certain extent. Moving down to Algoma would probably cut the attendance somewhat at first. But the majority of fans would begin to miss the girls and would walk the few extra blocks to watch a game. After all, if the spouse was playing ball she'd order hubby to cancel his poker game and come down to Algoma to watch her.

The calibre of ball is not good but the game has a large following because it offers fans solid entertainment for a small tab. Also, Gyro Park is in a central location and attracts many customers. A guy passing by will usually stop and watch a couple of innings before moving on. At Algoma, soccer is the only drawing sport. All others have an almost negligible attendance.

More tennis courts needed

However, let's look at it from a practical point of view. The tennis people need more tennis courts. During the recent sunny weather, when tennis is usually in full swing, many people, especially the youngsters, were sitting on the sidelines, waiting for a chance to play. Many of them wouldn't get a chance to play and would come back the next day to try again. Anyway, a study was made to find a place to build more courts and after much research, Gyro was finally decided upon.

Gyro is the most practical because the ground is already fairly solid and packed down. This automatically cuts out the cost of bringing in expensive fill and preparing the land for surfacing.

Even at that, the courts will still cost about $7,000 under the Winter Works program. It would probably cost about $5,000 or $6,000 to prepare the land and this is an extra burden no one can afford. The tennis club is willing to put up about $2,000 towards the $7,000 but couldn't raise much more.

We have it from good sources that the masons and the police would like to see the girls moved. Also, a spokesman for the Parks Commission informs us that plans have been made for a number of years to move the girls. We hear that allowing the girls to play there was only a temporary thing and not a permanent one.

It hasn't been definitely decided yet whether to move the girls or not. When a decision is made it should prove interesting.

Coho fishing improving

Coho fishing was poor last weekend but has since picked up . . . . Tuesday, local types **Les Stevens** and **Terry Shenton** both landed 12-pounders . . . . They hooked several others, including springs, but the fish put up terrific battles (so they tell us) and they were only able to land the two . . . . Wednesday, Stevens went out again and latched on to an 18-pound coho . . . . The boys won't tell us where they're catching these beauties . . . . But they'll give out the information for a price.

A trio of goat hunters made a trip out the highway Monday but it was raining so hard they didn't leave their vehicle . . . . We hhate to say we told them so, but . . . . We haven't heard if anyone has shot a moose yet . . . . How about it you hunters? . . . . Are they out there or are they hiding? . . . . Speaking of hunting, how about everyone doing his part to make sure this will be a safe and sane hunting season? . . . . Be careful with your guns . . . . Investigate a noise or a movement before pulling the trigger . . . . Remember, the life you save may be ours . . . . Use your head while in the bush because you're dead a long time . . . . We hope to see you all back here again next season, bragging about the deer and moose you could have shot but didn't and the savage bear you shot with a .22 . . . . These things add to the pleasure of hunting and we hope you all live to enjoy them . . . . The electronic brain we were speaking of last week predicts that **Roger Maris** will hit 61 homers in 154 games and 64 for the full season . . . . The brain picks **Mickey Mantle** for 55 in 154 and 58 for the season.

Yanks will win pennant

It looks pretty certain that New York's mighty Yankees will win their 26th pennant since 1901. They are currently eight games up and Detroit's Tigers are sinking fast. The National League is still up in the air but has one interesting note. Several locals inform us that they'll be holding a one-minute's silence over the weekend for the St. Louis Cardinals who are all but dead. The Cards haven't won a pennant since 1946.

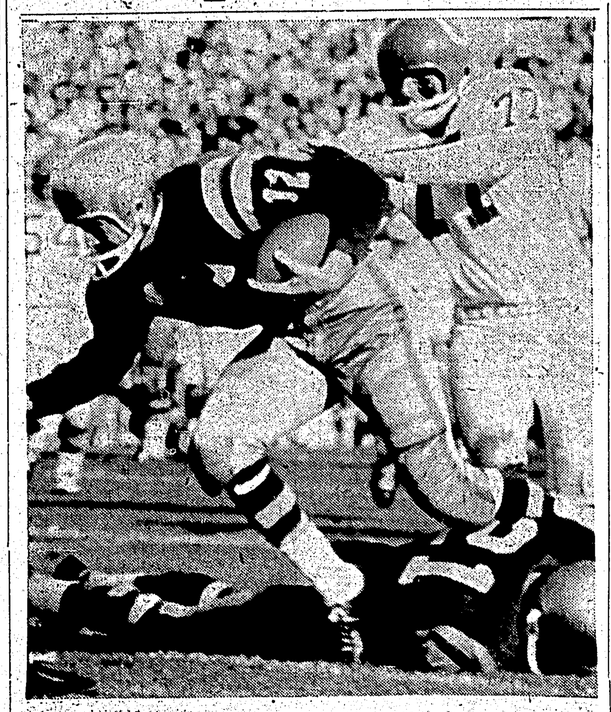
Seriously, we'd like to see Yanks vs Dodgers in the World Series. It's almost a tradition and always is a good series. If the Dodgers win the NL it'll be the first year the two teams play any series' games at Los Angeles. The last time the teams met, in 1956, the "bums" were playing out of Brooklyn.

But it appears that the Cincinnati Reds may take the NL flag. The Reds have been in three series since 1901. They won the flag in 1919, 1939 and 1940. They beat Chicago five games to three in 1919 and edged Detroit four games to three in 1940. In 1939 they suffered their only series' loss — a four-game sweep by the Yanks. But it was the fourth straight series' the Yanks had won so perhaps things will change this year. We'll still bet on the Yanks, though, no matter who wins the NL.

Meanwhile, turning to the subject of football, we still see B.C. over Calgary Saturday night by at least seven points. If the Lions beat Calgary they'll also take Winnipeg next Thursday. Other predictions for next week are: Regina over Montreal; Edmonton over Ottawa; Regina over Toronto; and Edmonton over Hamilton.

FAMOUS REFEREE — Mickey Ion, famous lacrosse player and much-hooted referee of the old Pacific Coast League and National Hockey League, relaxes during his visit to Toronto for the opening of the Sports Hall of Fame at the Canadian National Exhibition. Ion has lost both his legs almost to the hips because of a circulatory ailment and now lives in a Seattle nursing home. — CP Photo

Hoop executive elected



AGGRESSIVE ACTION — Jackie Parker (12) steps over his own teammate Walden (21) of Edmonton Eskimos in a tingling battle with Calgary Stampeders of the Western Football Conference Labor Day. Edmonton won the thriller in the dying minutes of the game when Parker booted a field goal for a 10-9 win. — CP Photo

Floyd Jessop named president

Election of officers for the 1961-62 season was the highlight of the season's first general meeting of the Prince Rupert Basketball Association held Wednesday night at the Civic Centre.

Floyd Jessup, commissioner of the Northern British Columbia Baseball League, was elected president of the basketball association by acclamation.

Last year's executive proposed a new executive and all but one post was filled by acclamation.

Irwin Garfield was elected vice-president; Doug Ruttan was elected secretary; Les Stevens was elected Minor Basketball Association Commissioner; Len Harrington was elected chairman of the All-Native Tournament committee; Don Hartwig was elected to be in charge of scheduling; and Don MacInnes was elected publicity chairman and chief statistician of the league. All those were elected by acclamation.

In a vote for treasurer, Ray Giordano was elected over MacInnes by a narrow margin.

Bill "Mouse" Morrison was proposed as referee-in-chief but this is pending his own approval.

After being elected, Stevens called a meeting of all those interested in coaching, managing, sponsoring, refereeing or officiating in the minor hoop association for 7:30 tonight at the Civic Centre.

During a discussion on the leagues which will operate this season, it was suggested that if the women's league can't form three teams by a certain date they should go on their own. It was decided that the two-team setup, which operated last year, was not satisfactory.

On the intermediate league situation it was thought there would be five teams operating again, this season — Columbia Cellulose, Sunrise, UFAWU, New Royal and Old Empress.

But it was also decided that any boy that registers to play in one of the two sections of the minor league—boys 10-13 years and 14-16 years—would not be eligible to play in the intermediate or senior leagues. On the same note, it was agreed that players who try out in the senior or intermediate leagues but fail to make it, cannot come back to the minors. They must start at the minors.

The senior league will probably still have last year's four teams—Savoy, Fraser and Payne, Old Empress and the Prince Rupert Senior High School Rainmakers.

It was agreed that players and officials would have to pay to get into any basketball games in which they are not involved.

Admission prices for league play during the season will be 25 cents for students and players and 50 cents for adults.

Athletes wishing to play for any team in any of the leagues must be members of the Civic Centre.

The banquet will be held October 27 and the league will get underway October 28. It will end about the second week in March, just before the All-Native Tournament.

The complete executive will include a representative from every team in each league.

There will be a general meeting of the Prince Rupert Floor Hockey Association at 8 p.m. Friday at the Civic Centre.

Plans for the forthcoming season will be discussed and everyone concerned with the league is urged to attend.

Dodgers pressing Reds as World Series nears

By ED WILKS
Associated Press Staff Writer

Los Angeles Dodgers, with an eye on the scoreboard and their minds on the richest payoff in world series history, have scrapped back within one game of Cincinnati's stumbling Reds in the National League pennant race.

It was after the Dodgers had blown a 3-0 lead against San Francisco Wednesday night that the Coliseum scoreboard in Los Angeles showed a five - run eighth inning for St. Louis and then flashed the Cardinals 11-5 victory over the Reds.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.	GBL
Cincinnati	82	56	.594	-
Los Angeles	78	54	.591	1
Milwaukee	74	60	.552	6
San Francisco	70	62	.530	9
St. Louis	70	64	.522	10
Pittsburgh	64	67	.489	14½
Chicago	58	76	.433	22
Philadelphia	39	96	.289	41½

That's when the Dodgers went to work coming from behind with a five - run eighth of their own for a 9-5 victory over the Giants.

While the Dodgers swept their four - game series with San Francisco, still hopeful Milwaukee beat Philadelphia 1-0 as Warren Spahn nailed his 306th career victory, most ever in one league by a left-handed pitcher. Chicago Cubs defeated Pittsburgh 6-2.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Six more. Two every five games. That's all it will take now for Roger Maris to hit 60 home runs and tie Babe Ruth's elusive record.

After belting No. 54 Wednesday for his first hit in 17 at bats as New York Yankees clobbered Washington Senators 8-0, Maris is seven games ahead of Ruth's record pace of 1927.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.	GBL
New York	94	45	.676	-
Detroit	86	53	.619	8
Baltimore	83	59	.585	12½
Chicago	77	65	.542	18½
Cleveland	71	69	.507	23½
Boston	67	75	.472	28½
Los Angeles	61	79	.436	33½
Minnesota	59	79	.428	34½
Washington	51	88	.367	43
Kansas City	51	88	.367	43

And he has 15 games—against Cleveland, Chicago, Detroit and Baltimore — in which to match or break the Babe's record with in the limit of 154 team decisions set by Commissioner Ford Frick.

Mickey Mantle, who has paired with Maris for half of the Yankees' American League record-setting 210 homers this season, was 0-for-2, walking twice and now is one game and one home run behind Ruth's pace. Mickey has hit 51.

Pushed to the background as Maris' 54th set off an awesome display of five Yankee home runs was the fact that Whitey Ford became the first left-hander to win 23 games in the AL since 1952, and that New York zoomed eight games ahead of the idle Detroit Tigers in the flag race with a seventh straight victory.

Chicago White Sox beat Minnesota Twins twice, 6-3, and 4-2 in 10 innings, and Boston Red Sox clipped Cleveland Indians 9-4 in the only other games scheduled.

Major League Leaders

National League

	AB	R	H	Pct.
Clemente, Pitts.	512	92	186	.363
Pinson, Cin.	550	96	189	.344
Robinson, Cin.	488	109	160	.328
Aaron, Mil.	523	106	171	.327
Moon, Los Ang.	390	61	126	.323

Runs— Mays, San Francisco, 110.

Runs batted in—Cepeda, San Francisco, 121.

Hits—Pinson, 189.

Doubles—Aaron, 35.

Triples—Altman, Chicago, 12.

Home runs—Cepeda, 38.

Stolen bases—Wills, Los Angeles, 30.

Pitching—Podres, Los Angeles, 18-4, .818.

Strikeouts— Koufax, Los Angeles, 224.

American League

	AB	R	H	Pct.
Cash, Det.	460	101	166	.361
Howard, N.Y.	374	53	134	.358
Piersall, Cleve.	453	75	140	.329
Mantle, N.Y.	469	121	152	.324
Gentile, Balt.	422	89	135	.320

Runs—Mantle, 121.

Runs batted in—Gentile, 127.

Hits—B. Robinson, Baltimore, 168.

Doubles—Kaline, Detroit and Kubek, New York, 35.

Triples—Wood, Detroit, 11.

Home runs—Maris, New York, 54.

Stolen bases— Aparicio, Chicago, 47.

Pitching — Ford, New York, 23-3, .885.

Strikeouts — Pascual, Minnesota, 185.

BASEBALL SCORES

Pacific Coast League
Salt Lake City 5, Tacoma 1
San Diego 4, Hawaii 2
(Vancouver 0-5, Seattle 7-1
Spokane 17, Portland 4

Last Night's Fights

Reno, Nev. (AP) — Terry Smith 158¾, Sacramento, Calif., stopped Johnny Page, 158½, Las Vegas, Nev. (6).

Manila (AP)—Leo Espinosa, 119, Phoenix, defeated Pina Barrahas, 123, Mexico, (10).

Laver to face Crawford

FOREST HILLS (AP) — Australian Rod Laver, almost everyone's choice to win the title, gets his first stern test in the national tennis championships today when he faces big Chris Crawford of Piedmont, Calif.

Crawford is one of the few who thinks Laver won't win the crown.

"I think I have a chance against him," said the 22-year-old university student. "We've played only once before and that was in Perth, Australia, last year. He won in four sets, but it was close. The last set, in fact, was 14-12."

Crawford, a towering blonde, has developed a reputation of winning the big ones, then getting licked by the second-raters. This year at Wimbledon, he eliminated Nicola Pietrangeli of Italy, probably the best amateur in Europe.

LAST NIGHT'S FIGHTS

Commack, N.Y. (AP)—Lino Rendon, 167, Havana, knocked out Rodolfo Diaz, 175½, Argentina, (1).

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