

## Maglie Spell Too Potent As Brooklyn Downed 6-3

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The Yanks and Dodgers, struggling at .500, definitely do not look like runaway pennant winners on their form for the first week of the new season. Left-handers baffle the Yanks and Sal Maglie has cast his old spell over the Brooklynns.

Cincinnati and Detroit, generally picked to bounce around the second division, and the much-maligned Philadelphia Phillies are right up there at the head of the class.

Cincinnati might bear watching. There is a strong suspicion that the Reds were sold short in the pre-season rundown. Philadelphia, too, has reversed its sorry Florida showing on the strong pitching of Robin Roberts, Curt Simmons and Murray Dickson.

### GREENGRASS GALLOPING

Jim Greengrass, Cincinnati left fielder, has 12 runs batted in and a .611 average for the first five games. He had two hits in each game Sunday as Cincinnati knocked off Milwaukee's highly-rated pitching staff in both ends of a doubleheader, beating Chet Nichols 6-4 and Bob Buhl 5-3.

Roberts and Simmons teamed up on the Pirates 6-0 and 7-1. After Roberts blanked Pittsburgh with four hits for the Phils' third straight shutout, Simmons stretched the string to 32 innings before he yielded a run in the sixth. Earl Torgerson's homer with two on gave Roberts all he needed. Del Ennis hit two home runs behind Simmons.

Maglie's old charm worked at Ebbets Field where he is unbeaten in nine starts as he went the route for New York's 6-3 triumph over the Dodgers. Slump-busting Monte Irvin drove in four runs with a homer and two singles. Willie Mays also

homered for New York and Duke Snider and Gil Hodges for the champions.

A three-run pinch homer by Tom Alston off the first pitch Chicago's Jim Davis threw in the majors helped St. Louis Cardinals finally enter the win circle, 6-4 over Chicago.

Vic Raschi, with relief, was the winner. The second game was stopped by darkness after two innings.

Two spring training phenoms failed in their American League debuts. The Yanks' Bob Grim was beaten by Washington's Maury McDermott, 9-3. And Boston's Tom Brewer, who had a string of scoreless innings in Florida, was chased by Philadelphia as the Athletics won the first game from the Red Sox behind rookie Bob Trice, 6-4. Jackie Jensen's 13th-inning homer gave Red Sox reliever Ellis Kinder the second game 4-3.

Steve Gromek capped his second straight for Detroit, 8-3 over Baltimore's Don Larsen, with Walt Droppa and Harvey Kuenn doing the heavy hitting.

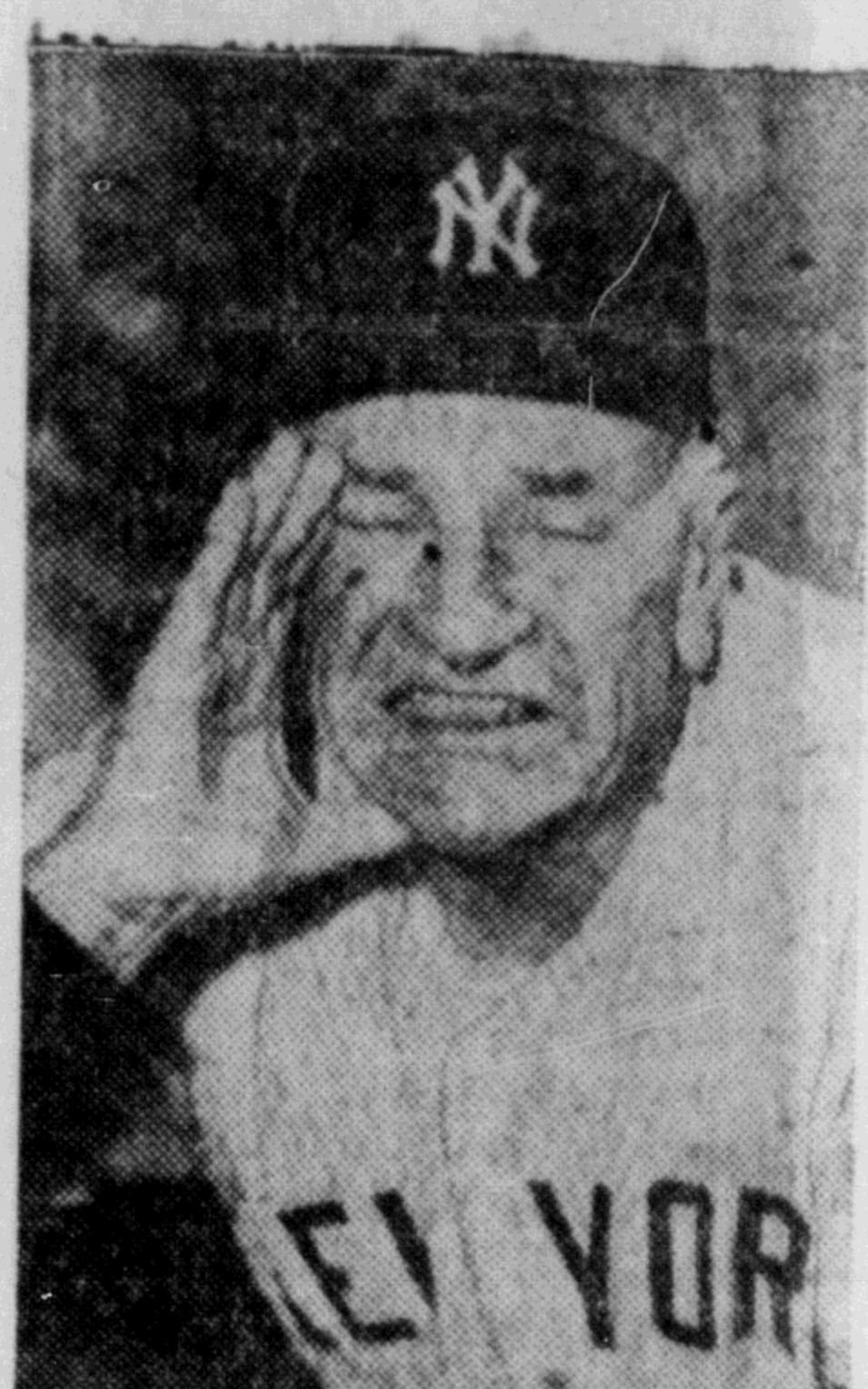
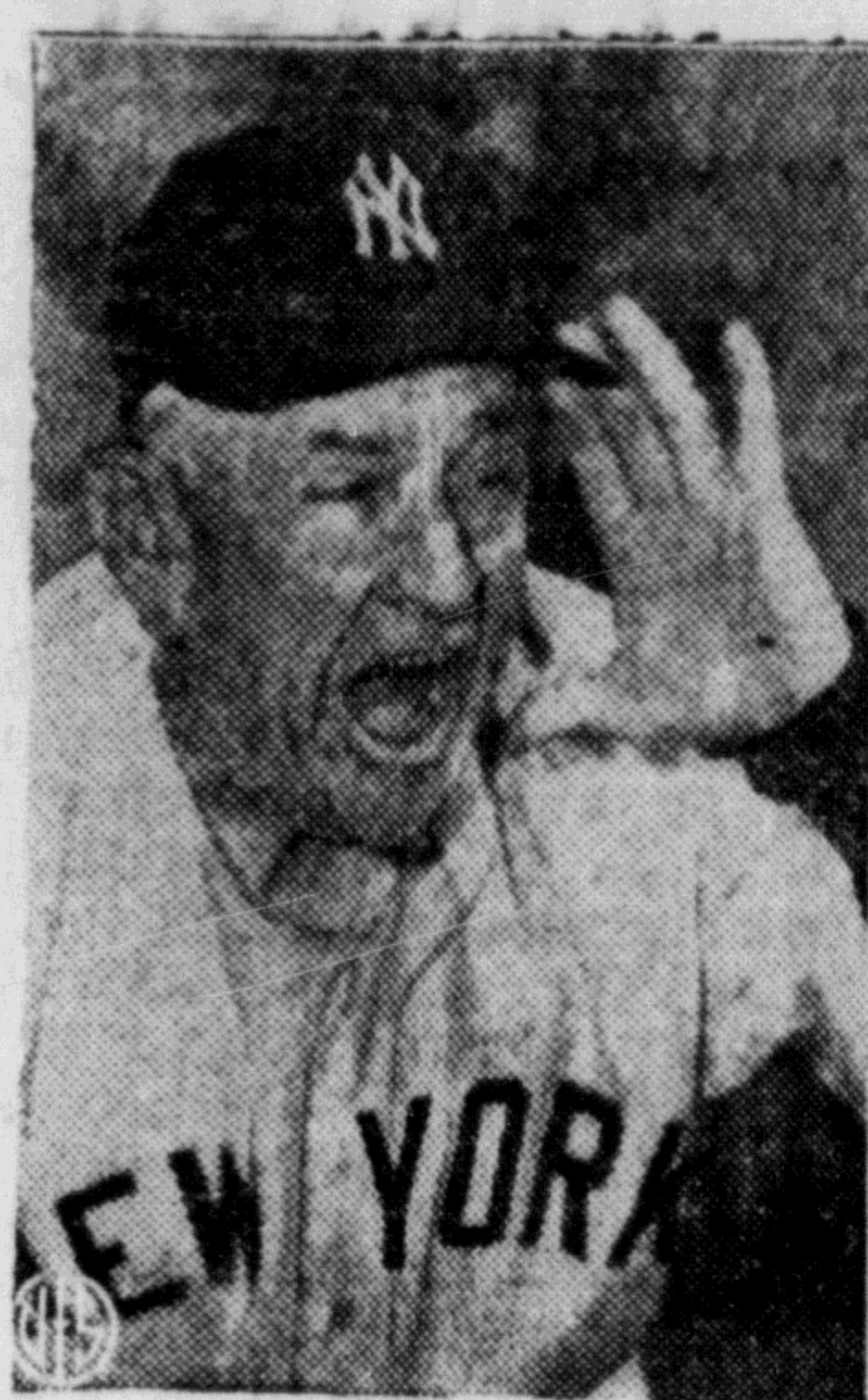
### PIERCE AIDED BY HITTERS

Jim Rivera, Minnie Minoso and Ferris Fain hit home runs that made Billy Pierce's spotty 10-hit pitching stand up for a 6-2 Chicago edge over Cleveland in a game out to six innings by rain. The second game was postponed.

The holiday crowds were disappointing, only 146,411 for the full program with the largest turnout at Milwaukee.

That Greengrass boy really had himself a day at Milwaukee, driving in four runs in the first game with a homer and a single and two more in the second with a double and single.

Mickey Mantle hit a 470-foot triple off the centerfield bleacher wall at Yankee Stadium that sent the world champs looking for the tape measure.



AFTER WATCHING his New York Yankees flounder through one of their worst spring training periods in years, manager Casey Stengel looks somewhat worried at the opening of the new season that he hopes will bring him his sixth consecutive pennant. The cameraman caught Casey in a series of moods that ranged from an agonized yelp (left) to flinching scorn (centre) and finally to hope that all will be well when the campaign is a few days older (right).

## SPORTS ROUND-UP

By GAYLE TALBOT

NEW YORK (AP)—Samuel Jackson Snead has long been known as a man with tremendous respect for a dollar, and many of his friends would have tried to get down a fat bet on the just-completed Masters tournament if they had only been tipped off as to what Sammy had on his mind.

As it was, only Sam and his publishers knew that great stacks of "Natural Golf," the slammer's personal gift to golfing literature, had been run off the presses and were only awaiting Sam's one-stroke playoff victory over Ben Hogan to be rushed into the mails.

The only weakness we can find in Sam's sales talk is that he admits—nay, boasts—that he never took a golfing lesson in his life. One is free to infer, too, that he was always too busy hitting golf balls to have read anything on the subject. However, by the time the reader finds this out he's already spent his quarter.

The latest thing in amateur tennis tournaments is to be unfurled here next Monday night when Tony Trabert, the United States champion, plays the No. 2 star, Vic Seixas, in the opening match of a round-robin series.

The following Monday night, Art Larsen, No. 3 in the national ranking, is scheduled to meet Gardner Mulloy, No. 4. Both Seixas and Mulloy cancelled overseas appearances to play in the series, which will be sponsored by the U.S. Lawn Tennis Association and is an opening effort by the ruling body to stir up interest in the amateur game.

Only a few weeks ago members of the Brooklyn Dodgers press corps were writing poetry about the unhappy situation of a little Cuban ball player named Sandy Amoros, who was wearing himself out trying to break into the Dodgers' veteran outfield.

Their efforts, all amusing and set to popular tunes, noted that Sandy was knocking down all the fences in Florida and was without much doubt the greatest

thing to come along since Ty Cobb, but that opening day he would find himself back in Montreal.

Now the boys are beginning to wonder if their humor might have been misplaced. Sandy not only still is around, but he begins to look like the hottest rookie in the league. The Dodgers, who had been shopping for a left-handed pinch-hitter all winter, granted waivers on Country Slaughter because they believed Amoros was the better bet.

## Capitanos With Brenner at Helm More Imposing Entry Than '53 Squad

This is the first in a series on the prospects of teams in the Western International Baseball League, written for The Canadian Press by the sportswriters who follow the teams throughout the season.

By CLANCY LORANGER  
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VANCOUVER, B.C. — There's another new broom in the front office of the Western International League's baseball Capitanos, and in the best traditions of new brooms, it has swept quite clean.

When last year's general manager, Dewey Soriano was called to greater things—he's now the new G.M. of Seattle's Coast League entry—an old Vancouver favorite, Bill Brenner, was whisked up to take his place.

Brenner, who had managed the Caps from 1946 through 1950, had been hibernating at Lewiston for two seasons as manager, after a year as field boss at Yakima. He was happy to return to the Caps—in triplicate, more or less. Besides his job as general manager, Brenner will also serve as field boss and figures, on his 22 victories last year, to be the ace of his own pitching staff, too.

At this stage, Brenner's squad, with a lot of new faces, looks more formidable than the 1953 team, which got by on pitching and the hitting almost exclusively of Manager Harvey Storey, who has since moved on to Salem as manager.

Brenner's pitching should be

## Mt. View High Soccer Titlists

VICTORIA — Victoria's Mount View high school captured the B.C. high school soccer championship Saturday with an upset 3-1 victory over Vancouver King Edward.

## U.K.'s Peters Favored to Win Boston Grind

BOSTON — Britain's heralded Jimmy Peters was favored today as a strong international field of 176, including 11 Canadian road racers, lined up for the 58th running of the famed Boston A.A. marathon from suburban Hopkinton to Boston's Back Bay.

The 34-year-old optician from London was the favorite off his brilliant record—including a 2:18:34.5 effort which stands as the unofficial world record of the 26 miles, 385 yards route.

Foreign stars have dominated this event since 1945—when John A. Kelley of the United States led the pack. Gerry Cote of St. Hyacinthe, Que., won in 1948. Cote is not entered this year.

Runners in the Canadian contingent include George Rolland, Paul Ojane, George Norman and Peter Gough, all of Toronto, and Andrew Nicol, a member of the RCN stationed in Ontario.

## Edmonton Oil Kings Blank Fort William To Take 2-1 Lead in Western Junior

FORT WILLIAM — Edmonton Oil Kings chalked up their second shutout in three games when they defeated Fort William Canadians 8-0 here Saturday.

The victory, watched by 6,173 fans, gave the Kings a 2-1 lead in the best-of-seven western Canada junior hockey final. Edmonton won the first game 6-0 and were shaded 2-1 in the second. The series now moves to Edmonton with the fourth game to be played Tuesday.

Saturday's game was won in the first period when the Oil Kings scored four goals. They scored twice in the second and third periods.

Johnny Bucyk and Jack Moore each counted two goals to lead the Edmonton attack. Ed Diachuk, Jerry Melnyk, Norm Ullman and Frank Roggeveen shared the others.

Fights broke out in the second and third periods. The first one started between Edmonton defenceman Chuck Holmes and Max Meklik. Before they could be separated all the players with the exception of the goalkeepers were swinging. Meklik was tagged with a minor and a major penalty. Holmes took a major.

Another general outbreak threatened in the third when Bill McNeill of the Oil Kings and Johnny Soychak mixed it up.

Bucyk increased the scoring at 1:45 of the first period.

Seven minutes later Fort William defenceman Gary McLeod lost the puck in front of his own net and Diachuk batted it in to make it 2-0.

Melnik increased the lead to 3-0 at 10:58. A blazing shot by Ullman nine seconds from the end of the first period made the count 4-0.

Moore scored at 13:45 of the second period on a goal-mouth pass from Ron Tooke. Bucyk added his second marker of the night two minutes later on a rebound.

Following the McNeill-Soy-

check fight in the third period, the referee ordered a close-in drive. A total of 28 penalties were called, including 10 minutes of misconduct. The Canadians have with nine minutes and a misconduct.

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## Ruling on Reinforcements May Settle Cup Final Result

KELOWNA, B.C. — A committee-room decision may settle the outcome of the western Canada Allan Cup finals between Penticton V's and Winnipeg Maroons.

As the two clubs prepared for the third game here tonight with Maroons holding a one-game bulge, the British Columbia Amateur Hockey Association took under consideration a request from Penticton for permission to use replacements for injured players.

The V's, defending western champions, made the request Sunday night after learning that star forward Jim Fairburn was out for the season with a knee injury. He was the fourth player lost to Penticton since V's hit the playoff trail about a month ago.

Fairburn suffered the keen injury when he was dumped at Penticton Saturday night in a close-checking contest that saw Winnipeg grind out a 3-2 win in the second game of the best-of-seven series. The first game, also at Penticton, ended in a 4-4 tie. The fourth game will be played at Vernon, B.C., Wednesday.

There was no immediate indication when the BCAHA would decide on Penticton's request.

### PLAYERS OUT

Besides Fairburn, V's are without centre Jack McDonald, forward Bernie Bathgate and wing-

er Don Berry, all sidelined during V's drive to the B.C. championship.

At Penticton Saturday night the power-laden Maroons showed 2,400 fans the brand of play which shot them into the western Canada finals. Playing coach Odie Lowe and winger Bill Robinson led the scoring parade for Winnipeg with a goal and an assist each. Bill Juzda got the other marker.

The Warwick brothers provided the scoring punch for Penticton, Bill and Dick doing the scoring and Grant drawing an assist on both goals.

V's held Maroons to a 1-1 stalemate in the opening period with Lowe scoring for Winnipeg and Bill Warwick for Penticton. Juzda and Robinson made it 3-1 for Winnipeg in the second before Dick Warwick tallied the final V's goal. The final period was scoreless.

## SPORTSMAN'S DIGEST

THIS-AND-THAT'S OF  
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UNCURLING LINE  
MUST NOT SLAP  
AGAINST ROD

3-25

MOST PEOPLE ARE RIGHT-  
HANDED AND CAST WITH THAT  
HAND. USING LEFT HAND TO  
REEL WITH. THUS MOST REELS  
ARE SO MADE. THIS LEFT-HAND  
REELING IS AWKWARD AT FIRST  
FOR MOST RIGHT-HANDERS, BUT  
PRACTICE OVERCOMES IT.

SPINNING REELS ARE MADE  
TO MOUNT UNDER THE HAND'S  
GRIP, SO THE UNCURLING LINE  
WILL NOT SLAP THE ROD IN  
CASTING. ROD AND REEL BAL-  
ANCE BEST THUS, ALSO.

LINE SLAPS

IF YOU ARE A "SOUTH-PAW"  
AND CAST BEST THAT WAY,  
THERE ARE SOME REELS  
MADE FOR RIGHT-HAND REEL-  
ING. GET ONE OF THOSE IF IT  
FITS YOUR NORMAL USE.

## City Marksmen Defeat Terrace

Prince Rupert Rod and Gun club marksmen captured all but one of the prizes at a Rupert versus Terrace trap shoot held Easter Sunday in Terrace.

Vic Williams won a hunting knife for taking the full bore rifle shoot and the city trap shooting team of Frank Allingham, Tommy Bontler, Williams, Bill Woods and George Robertson won spoons by defeating Terrace's top team. The Rupert score was 88 points to 73.

A second Rupert team of Frank Parlett, Ray Montgomery, Dom Dominato, Joe Griessell and Dave Russell also scored better than the Terrace squad with 74 points.

High individual score was chalked up by RCMP Constable Brue with second prize going to Bill Woods.

On Good Friday a work party was out at the new trap shoot range site opposite Oliver Lake. A fairly good turnout of members started clearing and felling trees at the site despite rainy weather.

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