

SPORTS ROUND-UP

By GAYLE TALBOT

NEW YORK.—Long shots seldom pay off in baseball, which is the most formful of all games, but we have had a sneaking feeling for several days now that Paul Richards and his Chicago White Sox are going to pull one for the books this coming summer.

ON THE ALLEYS

Jim Rhodes, Rusty Ford Top 5-Pinners

Jim Rhodes of Savoy and Rusty Ford of CGE set the pace this week in the men's five-pin league, topping pins for a single of 334 and a triple count of 818 respectively.

Team honors were captured by North Stars who shot 1,198 for a single and 3,334 for a three-game high.

Hidden score winner was W. Shamanski of Watson Islanders with a 318 game.

Results—Moose 2, Sedgewicks 2; Mansons 1, Firemen 3; Family Market 4, Cooks Jewellers 0; Savoy Hotel 3, Woodbutchers 0; Nelson Bros. 3, Watts & Nickerson 1; Industrials 0, JC's 4; CGE 3, CNRA 1; Kaen Indust. 3, Electrolux 1; 70 Taxi 0, North Stars 4; Short Circuits 3, Watson Islanders 1.

Goalkeeper Acquitted Of Assault

HALIFAX (CP)—Al Millar is probably the first hockey player ever acquitted of an assault charge because he swings left-handed.

The goaltender of Charlotte-town Islanders of the Maritime Major Hockey League, charged with hitting a woman spectator with his stick during a game, was freed because of testimony that he swung the stick from his right shoulder.

Magistrate R. E. Inglis said witnesses testified that Millar swung his stick from the right shoulder and hit Mrs. Lola Hanna, sitting with her husband in a rink-side seat.

"Yet the accused is left-handed," he said. "His natural swing is from the left side... and the natural swing is what I have to consider."

Millar, under indefinite suspension for the action in a game against Halifax Atlantics here last week, had pleaded innocent.

Mr. Hanna testified that he attempted to grab Millar's stick when it was swung. It then glanced from his arm and struck his wife on the face.

The magistrate ruled that the stick would have passed over the heads of spectators "if another party had not interfered."

The 23-year-old goaltender said someone spit on him. "I turned to the crowd and gestured with my stick in an upward motion... I just wanted to show the people it just wasn't right to spit like that."

SPORTSMAN'S DIGEST

TANNING SMALL SKINS.....

MIX ONE QUART OF TABLE SALT IN ONE GALLON OF SOFT WATER. HEAT UNTIL THE SALT IS DISSOLVED. THEN LET IT COOL IN AN EARTHENWARE CROCK OR A WOODEN BUCKET BEFORE STIRRING IN ONE OUNCE OF SULPHURIC ACID.

REMOVE FAT AND FLESH FROM SKINS FIRST. USE SALT TO DRY STRETCHED SKINS. THEN, SOAK SQUIRREL, MUSKRAT OR OTHER SKIN IN SOLUTION ABOVE FOR 5 DAYS, STIRRED DAILY. REMOVE AND RINSE IN CLEAR WATER. SOAK 12 HRS. IN MIX OF 1 GAL. WATER TO 1/2 CUP SAL. SODA. RINSE AGAIN. RUB SKIN SIDES TOGETHER AND KEEP MOIST UNTIL IT DRIES SOFT.

The feeling didn't quite come when Ferris Fain, the two-time batting leader of the American League, changed into a Sox uniform, though it was obvious that the acquisition of such a fighting, fleet first-baseman gave Richards another important weapon. It came when general manager Frank Lane, using some strange new softening agent, talked the Boston Red Sox out of Junior Stephens.

Giving up little, Lane now has thrown together an infield which must be rated at least on a par with anything in the American League, both defensively and in potential run production. If the knee which Stephens injured last season has completely healed, neither the Yankees nor Cleveland Indians can afford to feel complacent about the coming race.

It is certain that Fain, not too happy at Philadelphia because of salary differences, will be in there battling his head off for a club with a pennant gleam in its eye. Our hunch is that the veteran Stephens, in Boston too long, will experience a similar upsurge of spirit once he is exposed to Richards' furious will to win.

If Junior does, you should hold on to your hats. The new Sox third-baseman lacks the speed of most of his teammates, but he can field and, when he feels like attending strictly to baseball, can blast that apple.

Although they finished a lot of games back, the Sox still were up there in third place behind the Yanks and Indians on closing day last year.

Contributing no little to the hunch about the south siders is the fact that they have a Venezuelan named Chico Carrasquel to play shortstop for them. The little Latin had a comparatively poor 1952 season, "attributable about equally, they say, to eating too well and thinking with too great admiration of his own ability."

But both failings are, fortunately, subject to treatment, and the general belief is that Chico will come back his old peerless self.

Curling Club Draw

End of the first round and start of the second in the George Cook and Gordon's Hardware club competitions will be played off tonight and Friday night at the Seal Cove curling rink.

Both competitions are being played at once in a straight knock-out tournament. Draws for tonight and tomorrow are as follows:

Thursday
7:15 p.m.—Collinson vs Thom; Robertson vs Laurie; Ostertag vs Kellough.

Friday
7:15 p.m.—Sieber vs Rowbotham; Collinson vs Miller; Robertson vs Ostertag.
9:15 p.m.—Berg vs Bateman; McKenzie vs Ford; Anderson vs Turner (ladies).

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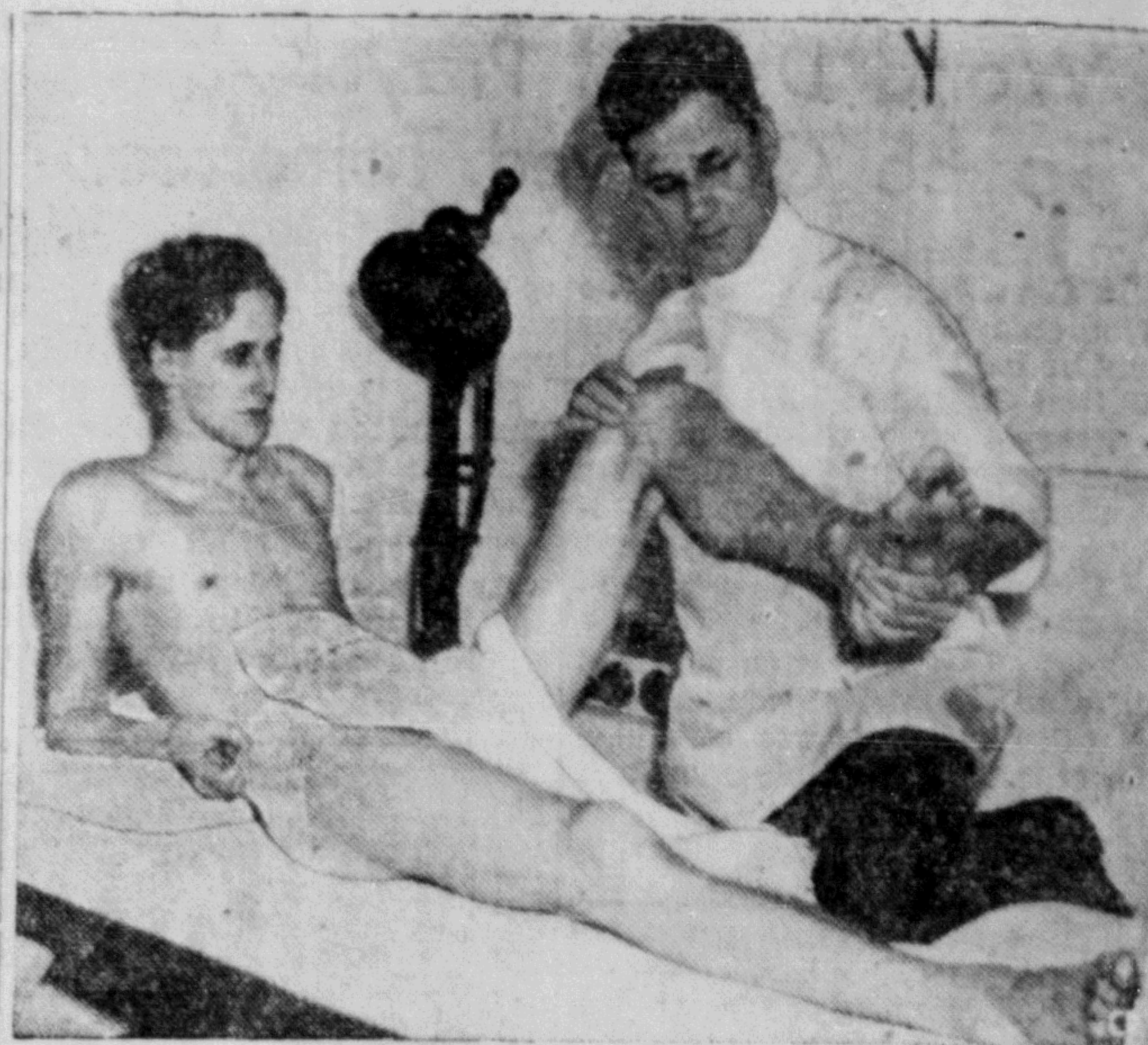
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JOHN PATERSON
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Former British High Jumper Can Now Represent Canada

By W. R. WHEATLEY
Canadian Press Staff Writer

MONTREAL (CP)—When the 1954 British Empire Games in Vancouver roll around, one of the slickest high jumpers in the world will be eligible to represent Canada.

He is Alan Paterson, native of Scotland, competitor for Great Britain in the 1952 Olympic Games at Helsinki, Finland, and now a resident of Montreal. Paterson, a chartered accountant, is eligible to compete for Canada under a change made less than two years ago in the constitution of the British Empire and Commonwealth Games Federation—the all-Commonwealth body in general charge of the games.

Constituent countries of the Commonwealth each have their own associations.

GLAD TO COMPETE

Paterson first learned through The Canadian Press that he will be eligible to compete at Vancouver. "That's great," he said. "I'm really delighted."

He is worried now about a persistent ailment in his left leg. The injury dates back two or three years. He doesn't recall just how it happened.

Even before the last Olympic Games, Paterson's father spotted something wrong at a glance and let his son know about it. "If you can't jump six feet five inches, then you're not right," said the father.

He has done no jumping since the Olympic Games and hopes that treatment will correct the condition.

GAMES REGULATIONS

Regulation concerning eligibility for the Games competition says:

"Each competitor must be a British subject or a citizen of a constituent part of the British Commonwealth. Those who have already competed in the British Empire and Commonwealth Games for one country may represent another at the future celebration of the games with approval from the British Empire and Commonwealth Games Federation and permission from

the British Empire and Commonwealth Associations of the two countries concerned.

"If an eligible competitor wishes to represent a country other than that of his birth he must have resided therein for at least six months immediately prior to the closing date of individual entries for the British Empire and Commonwealth Games concerned."

Jack Davies of Montreal, honorary secretary of Canada's BE Games Association, has been assured by British officials they will approve Paterson's eligibility for Canada.

EUROPEAN CHAMP 1951

Paterson didn't finish among the top performers at Helsinki but in 1951 he won the European championship with a jump of 6 feet 7 1/2 inches. In the 1950 Empire Games he jumped 6 feet 5 inches, placing second to John Winter of Australia whose mark was 6 feet 6 inches.

Less fortunate, so far as eligibility is concerned, is Valdo Lillikas, the wiry little Estonian-born distance runner, who also lives in Montreal.

HOCKEY SCORES

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Leafs Dump Detroit 2-0 In Toronto

By The Canadian Press
Toronto Maple Leafs scored twice late in the final period to defeat the league-leading Detroit Red Wings 2-0 before 13,034 fans in Maple Leaf Gardens Wednesday night.

New York Rangers, meanwhile, were in rare form as they downed Boston Bruins 4-2 in New York for their 12th win of the National Hockey League this season.

The combination lifted Leafs into third place over Bruins.

The teams battled on even terms at Toronto for 56 minutes until the Leafs struck for two quick goals.

American League Schedules 224 Night Games

CHICAGO (AP)—The American League's 1953 baseball schedule—bulging with 224 night games eight more than last season—was announced today.

After-dark contests make up nearly one-sixth of the total of 1,232 games to be played by the eight clubs.

The champion New York Yankees go to Washington for the 1953 pre-opener Monday, April 13, with the full league going to bat the next day.

Home sites will shift April 16. The all-star game is set for Tuesday, July 14, with Boston Braves as the host club. The American League winds up its campaign Sunday, Sept. 27.

Of the 224 night games scheduled this season, 50 are on tap at Washington to top the list.

Fight to Death

YORKTON, Sask. (CP)—Grim evidence of one of nature's battles for supremacy were the locked horns of two deer found dead near here. The locked horns had made the animals easy prey for predators.



Nine Bouts Lined up For Boxing Show Here Friday

An amateur boxing card, promoted by Martin Saunders, boys' club trainer, is scheduled to take place at the Annunciation School gym Friday night.

Nine bouts are to be featured with the main attraction either an exhibition from Joe Ward's Elks Club stable or, if arrangements are successful, a bout between Pete Schut, 140-pounder from Ketchikan and Chuck Place, Elks Club light-welter.

Saunders said today he would be advised later if Schut was able to make the trip from the Alaskan city.

If these arrangements fall through, Joe Ward has promised to supply a feature bout between two of his heavier stablemates, said Martin.

Other bouts scheduled are between: Bobby Smith, Gerry Dominato, 65 pounds; Billy Saunders, Bobby Good, 75 pounds; Bob Grimbie, Billy Smith, 82 pounds; Glen Fleming, winner of Grimbie-Smith bout; Dick Bury, Billy Watmough, 90 pounds; Bob Dumas, Vic Prystay, 104 pounds; Doug Letourneau, winner Dumas-Prystay bout; Art Turcotte, John Dumas, 119 pounds.

Mild Winter

NEW WESTMINSTER (CP)—Mild winter saves money for taxpayers. Up to early in February the cost of snow removal and street sanding was virtually nil. Last winter the city paid more than \$12,000 for such services, and \$30,000 the previous winter.

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