

IN THIS CORNER

DICK AYRES

Tomorrow afternoon at Roosevelt Park should tell the tale. To be or not to be a senior baseball league, that is the question. If Thursday night's game between Commercial Hotel and Esquire's Men's Wear is anything to go by, then a successful baseball season may finally be launched. Thursday's encounter was as different from last Sunday Terrace-Gordon and Anderson debacle as night is from day.

It was a pleasure to watch. The game teed off on time, the umpires were there, there was a minimum of belly-aching and both clubs appeared intent on serving up a smarter brand of ball. Now if Gordon and Anderson and Esquires can do the same thing tomorrow afternoon, all well and good. After a hectic meeting this week, the three town clubs seem to have realized that even for a modest 35 cents, the customers are entitled to their money's worth.

But there is another serious aspect. This rejuvenation shouldn't be a flash in the pan, just so everyone will say nice things about the senior ball clubs. There should be conscientious effort on the part of every player, coach and manager to strive and maintain a better standard for the kids coming up.

There is no use whatsoever, in nearly 30 city men and some women giving up their valuable time and effort to Little League and Pony league, if when they graduate first from one and then the other they reach senior baseball to find themselves in a shambles. There is no point in these same men and women working hard to impress the rules of baseball on youngsters, teach them sportsmanship and fair play, only to have them reach the seniors where griping, flaunting of rules, arguing with officials is apparently the order of the day.

Yessir. You 45 ball-players up on the hill have a great responsibility. You are examples of how ball should be played to some 250 minor league players. What you do they will copy. If you think you're hurting the umpire's feelings by flinging your bat against the dugout in a fit of temper because he's called you out, think again. All you're doing is showing the ump, the spectators and your team-mates that you haven't grown up yet.

We don't expect you to be models of decorum or a bunch of panty-waists. Keep the chatter going, have your jokes, play hard and fast, but leave the decisions to the umpires and the appeals to the managers. Let's just have some good baseball so that kids coming up will have something to shoot for.

There is one thing, before we turn to other matters that we'd like to make clear. The opinions in this column are not necessarily those of this paper. They are Dick Ayres' opinions. And if a play, manager or sponsor has the idea that we're being too hard on his boys, don't take it out on The Daily News. Spend your wrath on the lads under fire or on us personally. We don't write just for the sake of writing. We try, as any editor should, to be a conscience for the people, to protect the public, to boost worthy projects, to give praise where it is due and damn where it is deserved. We report what we ourselves see or our reporters tell us.

POST SCRIPTS—While in a soul-searching mood, we must make an apology to North Stars of the Little League for accusing them of using a pitcher too soon earlier this week. The LL rules state that no pitcher who has pitched four or more innings shall pitch again until he has had three calendar days rest. We were under the impression, before North Star coach Pop Pay expressed disapproval of our "cutting remarks," that the pitcher in question had pitched three innings and to one man in the fourth inning, before being relieved. Unfortunately the score-book doesn't show clearly where the changeover took place. Sorry Pop... Hope that the fence post holes on the edge of the Roosevelt Park ball field get posts in them soon. Andy Marshall and Nick Pavlikis both nearly dropped out of sight while going for high flies Thursday night... Anyone wanting prices of tickets for the BEG in Vancouver should contact Art Murray. He received a flock of info Friday that should give holidayers planning to take in the Games just what they can see and when, and how much it's going to cost them, and we do mean cost them.

First Steps Taken To Organize Little League Farm Club Teams

First steps toward organizing the farm teams of the Prince Rupert Little League were taken last night at a meeting of the executive with league managers and coaches at the Civic Centre. On a motion by Ralph Pay, the league approved purchase of playing equipment, which will enable the farm teams to take to the field.

The meeting learned that 12 persons have indicated an interest in looking after farm teams and a motion was passed that the present Little League coaches will donate one hour of their teams practice sessions to the farm teams until regular farm team coaches are available.

Under the set-up, farm teams will practice for the first hour, with the senior teams taking the second hour on scheduled practice nights. It was emphasized that senior team members must be in attendance during the farm team practices. Uniforms will not be worn at practices.

Names submitted to the meeting of those interested in supervising farm teams were Charlie Maundrell, Lloyd Rice, Frank Frost, Des Careless and Bob Bone. North Star coach Pay said that he understood that the Legion could supply eight men as well.

The league may shift back to its original schedule of making Wednesday the day of rest for

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Musial Tops Homer List To Pass '27 Ruth Pace

By BEN FOLEGAR
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Stan Musial, still denying he's aiming for the fences, has taken over the National League home run lead and is ahead of the record 1927 pace of the great Babe Ruth.

Hank Sauer of Chicago and Willie Mays of New York—are even with the schedule Ruth followed when he hit his 60 for the New York Yankees.

The main reason Ruth's record has remained unattainable was the Babe's tremendous spurt in September when he hit 17 in 26 games. It took him 47 games to get his first 17.

Friday the Cards beat Philadelphia 5-2. New York took over second place with a 10-6 triumph at Cincinnati while Milwaukee was bowing 4-1 to Pittsburgh. Brooklyn won its sixth straight, 2-1, over Chicago.

In the American League Cleveland led its second in a row to the Yankees, 8-3, and Chicago climbed within seven percentage points of the first place Indians by beating Boston 7-3. Detroit edged Washington 3-2. Philadelphia defeated Baltimore 7-6.

Harvey Haddix of the Cardinals pitched his third straight complete game and ran his record to 8-3. Bob Keegan of the White Sox survived an 11-hit Boston attack for his eighth victory in nine decisions.

A three-run homer by Yogi Berra in the first inning off Early Wynn put the Yanks on the victory trail against Cleveland.

Roy Sievers drove in the two Senator tallies with a homer and

two singles. Ed McGhee drove in four runs as the Athletics temporarily won their battle with Baltimore to stay out of last place. The Orioles are now in the cellar by a game and a half.

Carl Erskine, Brooklyn's winningest pitcher last season, picked up his career in Wrigley Field when Roy Campanella singled home Jackie Robinson in the sixth inning.

Max Surkont tormented his former Milwaukee teammates, giving them only six hits as they lost their fifth straight game.

Star's Reliever Stops Sea Kings To Gain 6-5 Win

North Star relief hurler Ted Careless held Lipsett Sea Kings to one hit and kept them scoreless for three innings as his team mates racked up two runs to overcome a one run deficit and take a 6-5 decision last night in a scheduled Little League game at Algoma Park.

Trailing 5-4 going into the fourth, North Star's K. Cameron on a wild pitch after taking second on another wild pitch and going to third on an error.

The winning run was scored by R. Heiland who got a base on balls and was walked in.

The loss is charged to Mike Greene who took over from Sea Kings starter Bruce Kerr in the fourth when they still had a 5-4 edge. Greene only gave up one hit, but wild pitches and bases on balls gave the game away. The right hander was as effective as he was wild, striking out four in the two innings he pitched.

Sea Kings led off with a flurry of hits in the first, including singles by Chris Downing and George Jones and doubles by Bob Meighen and Bill McLeod, all issued by Ray Oakey, which accounted for two runs. Oakey was tagged in the second by Meighen who clouted a four master with Downing aboard, by Gary Oglvie who singled and McLeod who doubled, scoring Oglvie.

North Stars got to starter Bruce Kerr for three hits in the first which included singles by Cameron and Thom and a double by G. Maskaluk which saw two runs cross the plate.

A single by B. Kangas, a double by N. Patrick and a single by Cameron, plus the force out of Maskaluk at second accounted for two North Star runs in the second.

Kerr gave up four runs on seven hits and struck out two, Oakey five runs on eight hits while striking out seven. Careless, the winner, fanned seven.

Major League Leaders

By The Associated Press

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Player	AB	R	H	Pct.
Avila, Cleveland	177	39	68	.384
Rosen, Cleveland	159	30	55	.349
Tuttle, Detroit	139	20	48	.345
Musby, Washington	133	29	61	.333
Bingo, Chicago	130	41	60	.333
Rhodes, Chicago	124	44	60	.333
Runs Batted In—Rosen, Cleveland, 49.				
Hits—Avila, Cleveland, 68.				
Doubles—Venron, Washington, 13.				
Triples—Minoso, Chicago, seven.				
Home Runs—Rosen, Cleveland, 13.				
Stolen Bases—Rivera, Chicago, 7.				
Pitching—Branco, Detroit, Morgan, New York and Stone, Washington, 3-0-1,000.				
Strikeouts—Turley, Baltimore, 70.				

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Player	AB	R	H	Pct.
Musial, St. Louis	179	48	68	.380
Jablonksi, St. Louis	164	27	73	.376
Mueller, New York	169	32	63	.373
Hammer, Phila.	168	21	61	.363
Robinson, Brooklyn	164	16	37	.356
Runs—Musial, St. Louis, 48.				
Runs Batted In—Musial, St. Louis, 59.				
Hits—Jablonksi, St. Louis, 73.				
Doubles—Snider, Brooklyn and Jablonksi and Musial, St. Louis, 13.				
Triples—Mays, New York and Schoendienst, St. Louis, five.				
Home Runs—Musial, St. Louis, 17.				
Stolen Bases—Bruno, Milwaukee, 10.				
Pitching—Raschi, St. Louis 5-0-1,000.				
Strikeouts—Haddix, St. Louis, 65.				

Games Tonight

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WOMEN KEGLERS BEST MEN IN FIVE-GAME CHALLENGE

Five of Prince Rupert's top women bowlers bested a team of male experts 5,467 to 5,425 in a five game total points challenge last night.

Bob Vuckovich rolled the highest score of the evening with 1,192 while Agnes Pierce was runner-up with 1,150. In the total of first three games, the men shaded the women with 3,466 as compared to 3,220. Gals taking part in the challenge game were Agnes Pierce, Jessie Shenton, Alice McMeeking, Lois Keays and Mary Postuk. On the men's team were Bob Vuckovich, George Shenton, Rusty Ford, Ian Dunbar and Johnny Comadina.

Passed Balls Prove Costly As Gyro Gain 3-2 Decision

Although Gyros only got two hits off Elk pitchers last night in a scheduled Pony League game at Roosevelt Park they managed to manufacture a 3-2 victory with them and three passed balls.

In a tight ball game, remarkably free of bobbles and walks, Gyro batters connected with a triple off starter John Lambie in the second and a single off Charlie Lindstrom in the third. Gil Chow's triple scored Len Girbow who had got on with a walk, got to second on a passed ball and stole third.

Tom Lindstrom's single, a nicely laid down bunt, moved Billy Smith who had bunted Wesley Kelly around to third, into scoring position and the Gyro backstop came in on a passed ball with Kelly ahead of him.

Elks got their first run in the second when Jackie Rudolph got on with a passed ball, stole second and was hit in by Charlie Lindstrom's single, the first of the three hits that Kelly gave up.

The second hit off the Gyro southpaw went for nothing when Harold Hill, who hit the safety, was tagged out in the hot-box at third after stealing second.

In the fourth, Rudolph tagged Kelly's offering right through the mound to centre field, stole second, went to third on a bad throw by catcher Smith and came home on another bad peg by centre fielder Freddie Gulbranson.

Kelly gets the win, going the full six innings and giving up the two runs on three hits and two walks.

Elks starter Lambie was replaced in the top of the third when the game was tied 1-1, so righthander Lindstrom gets the loss.

BASEBALL SCORES

WESTERN INTERNATIONAL

Wenatchee 6, Salem 3.
Spokane 6, Lewiston 1.
Yakima 7, Tri-City 3.
Vancouver at Calgary, postponed.
Victoria at Edmonton, postponed.

PACIFIC COAST

San Francisco 7, Portland 5 (10).
Seattle 3, Los Angeles 0.
Seattle 9, Los Angeles 8 (11).
Oakland 9, San Diego 5 (10).
Hollywood 5, Sacramento

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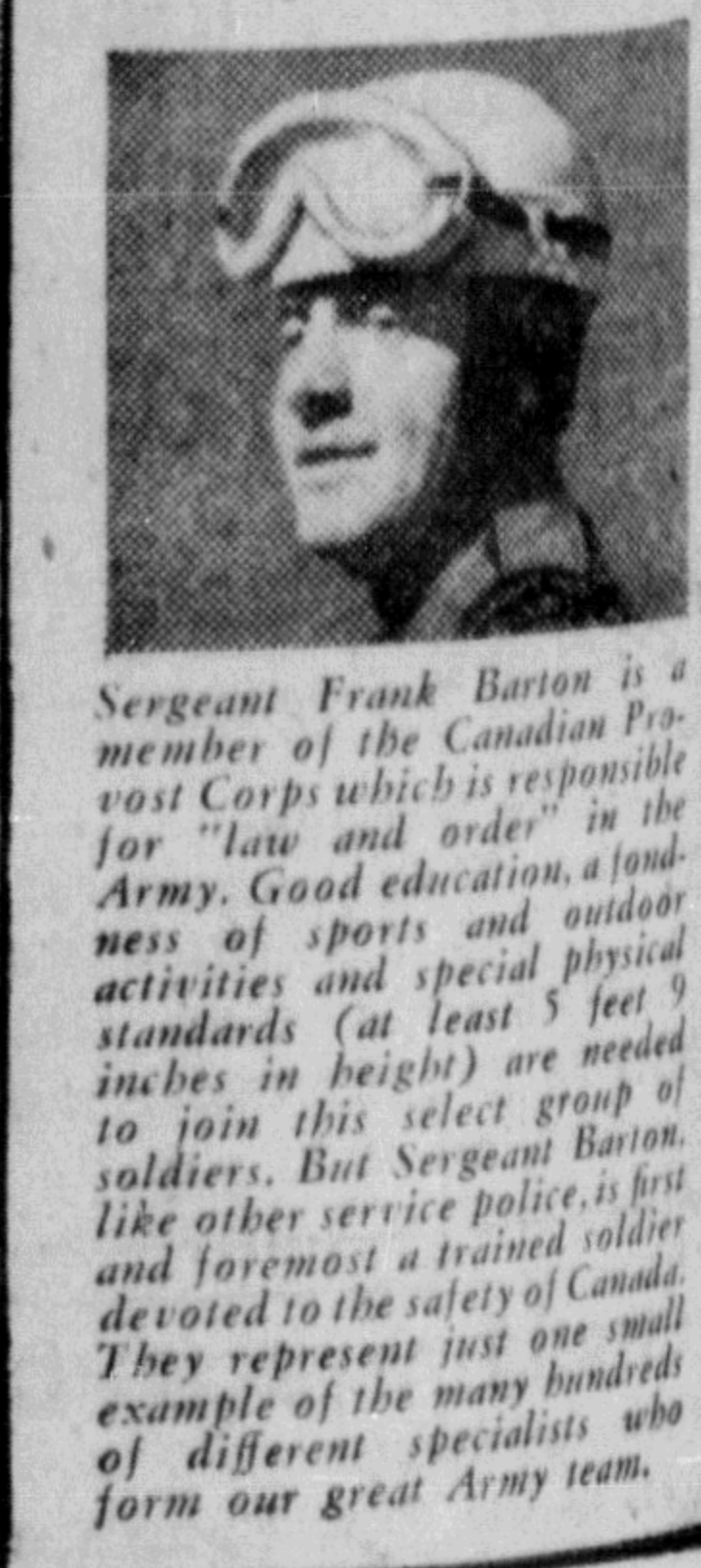
A full quota of games is scheduled for Sunday in the Prince Rupert Senior Baseball League with league leading G & A meeting Esquires at Roosevelt Park and Commercial Hotel making their second trip to Terrace for a double header. For G & A, Freddie Christensen will start, with his opponent on the mound likely being Jackie Sharpe. For Commercial, Gordie Cameron will be in the first game, Cliff Dahl or Jim Fie in the second game, and at Roosevelt Park in the second game of a double header will start a 20 minute after the first game.

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