

Sporting News From The Little Store

by Tony DeMonte

The Porcupine Baseball fans who witness every game played in the N.B.A. will probably wonder why the Combines ball club, a member of this loop, do not use their diminutive centre fielder more than they do.

The reason is that Art Scarlett, regular fielder, has left these parts for his home in Napanee Ont., where he has accepted a position as manager of a brick yard formerly owned and operated by his father-in-law.

Art came to the gold camp as early as 1939, imported by the Hollinger to fill a centre field berth. Although small in stature, he certainly filled his position well, both on the diamond, and at his work.

Art played regular centre field for Hollinger from 1939 until 1945, with the exception of one year, 1940, when he, Reg. Dorey and Jimmy Cookson, shared the patrol duty on coach Barton's great team.

Although not a consistently good hitter at any time during his stay in the Porcupine, Art more than made up for this by his deer like qualities in the pastures, and on the base paths.

Fans remember Art best by his flowing smoothness in running after a fly ball, his ability to steal bases, and his superb bunting. No one in amateur ball can lay down a bunt and beat it out, quite like Art.

Combine this with his ready wit, bellowing laughter, great competitive spirit, and an all round good guy, and you have the reason why Art will be missed around the Holly ball park for many years to come. He has been a credit to baseball, to the community and to himself and his family during his short stay in the Porcupine, and all his friends and admirers along with myself are wishing Art the best in his new venture.

Lucky, Lucky, Lucky so and so. That is all we have been hearing for the last three or four days.

We are referring to Sunday's game, in case you missed it, between Combins and Hollinger.

If you were one of the three thousand odd fans who witnessed this eleven inning thriller, you will no doubt recall the top half of the eleventh inning. With teammate Dusty Baker, perched on third base, by virtue of his tremendous right centre smash, we selected a hickory and promptly marched over to coach Vince Barton at third base for instructions.

Receiving same, we proceeded to carry them out, and here's how it went. The first ball pitched by coach Bill Tennant, was high outside, although Bill swears it was a perfect strike, which we let go by, noticing at the same time that the whole Combine infield was playing on the grass, expected a squeeze bunt. The next pitch, a perfect strike, letter high, was the squeeze bunt, but did not come off as was expected by the opposition.

Instead of bunting on the ground, the ball soared high and far, over the heads of the infield and too close for the outfield, landing in the vicinity of second base, while Baker romped home with the winning run, and Romualdi and co. glued to the ground watching the ball land unable to do anything about it.

Lucky did you say? Sure we were lucky, but to put it in Barton's own words, "Everything went according to plan".

Bim Sturgeon, local sports director was the bearer of sad tidings this week. In a letter addressed to the Hollinger Park Committee, Mr. Sturgeon requested the heads of the big mine, to accommodate the fast growing number of fast ball fans, by erecting stands around the softball diamond.

At the present time hundreds of fans in this town have to sit down on the damp grass, or stand up, for nine full innings of softball, each Sunday, Tuesday and Thursdays, because there isn't any seating accommodation.

In answer to his letter, Bim states that the Park Committee have taken this sports crisis into consideration, and have decided against building stands for this year. Why? We haven't found out.

There is no reason why the stands in left and centre field in the baseball park, which are idle anyway, except for the occasional high school field day, which is held once or twice a year, cannot be moved to the softball diamond.

They were originally built for soccer enthusiasts, and seeing how there is no soccer played in the ball park, the stands could be put to use very well by the fastball fans.

It's true that the high school pupils use these stands in the fall, for their interscholastic rugby games, but then, there is only a dozen or so games played here, in the short rugby season, and considering the colder weather, most people would prefer to stand.

On the other hand, there are no less than fifteen organized fastball teams, not counting the juniors and juveniles, who could put these stands to very good use, and at the same time help to finance their cause, in the form of a silver collection.

At the present time, the people who pass the hat for silver collection, have to do so with a red face, knowing that in all fairness, the public should not be asked to contribute, with conditions the way they are.

We are very sure, that if the Hollinger Committee decide to move the football stands, they could do so, and it would cost very little, by simply asking the co-operation of fifteen softball teams, or roughly 225 ball players. They would be only too glad to help under the supervision of the Park Committee.



Eddie Dunn, Hollinger centre fielder, being thrown out at first base by a step. Ernie Mallott No. 3 Combines first baseman, ready to receive ball thrown by team mate Lou Roumaldi.

Dunn later drove in two runs, with his smashing triple to right centre field, to sew up the ball game for Holly.

Swimming & Water Safety Program Archery Track And Field Classes

Swimming and Water Safety is one of the major projects of the T.C.A.C. at the present time. Classes are in progress during the day and evening for the younger people and they are taught the fundamentals of swimming and water safety along with lessons in swimming for the beginners. Business girls and men have classes in the evening and ornamental swimming is the main topic for them.

The better swimmers will be qualified later in July to enable them to participate in the Red Cross Swimming Instructors' School which will open here on July 25th. This course will be opened for all of Northern Ontario and will be for all swimmers and instructors.

Mr. W. R. McAdam, Director-in-Chief of the Swimming and Water Safety Committee of the Canadian Red Cross Society, and Mr. A. R. T. Chetwynd, the Senior Supervisor, will be on hand for the School. All those interested should contact Mr. Sturgeon.

The Swimming Tests include Junior, Intermediate and Senior Tests. On completion of the required tests awards are made of qualification pins by the Red Cross. The Junior pin is a red cross on a white background with silver lettering on green. The Intermediate Pin is a red cross on a white background with silver lettering on red. The Senior pin is a Red Cross on a white background with silver lettering on blue. An Instructors Pin is also awarded to qualified teachers and is a red cross on a white background with gold lettering on blue. All pins are accompanied by certification cards and Intermediate and Senior Swimmers may obtain swim suit crests similar to the pin.

The Canadian Red Cross is teaching Swimming and Water Safety as a measure (1) to reduce the toll of deaths from drowning throughout Canada and (2) to promote a healthful form of exercise and physical development. However, the Society is not primarily interested in swimming as a competitive sport. That will be left to the various organizations already in that field. The Red Cross Society is definitely interested in personal safety in and on the water, and endorses the activities of recognized organizations in such work.

With the provision of the Safety lanes in the form of the boating dock which will be supplied for the T.C.A.C. by the Kiwanis Club the young people who are taking advantage of the nice weather to take a dip at Gillies Lake will now have a greater amount of safe swimming which all ties in with the aims of the Red Cross Society.

Bright Lights Hold

(Continued From Page One) Asked about the Redmen who in most instances have laid aside their colorful garb, their ancient traditions and in most cases their teepees and having adopted the white man's way of living, we were informed that among the older generation there is practically no illness. Among the younger ones however the story is very different. It seems that they are rather susceptible to the many diseases that afflict

Another new addition to the Community Activities' time-table is the aged sport of Sherwood Forest Archery. A number of Robin Hood's followers will have an opportunity to indulge in this sport as soon as the work on the ranges is completed. Approximately 50 members are already enrolled in the Club and soon they will all be actively engaged in their favorite pastime. Targets, straw bales, and butts are being prepared and are expected to be ready by the end of this week. The Sport will also be taught to the younger set on the playgrounds as soon as the schedule is fully drawn up. Any Clubs or individuals interested in Archery may register at the T.C.A.C. office.

Track and Field Classes are held regularly every Tuesday and Thursday evenings at the Hollinger Ball Park at 7 p.m. These classes are for the benefit of all groups. It is hoped that short Saturday meets may be arranged soon for time travels, jumps, and weight throwing. The T.C.A.C. has procured a javelin and more equipment will be on hand soon.

Tennis

Tennis keeping quite a number of the young fry occupied and are they sweating it out on those cuts and backhand thrusts! The Hollinger Tennis Courts are available four days a week from ten till twelve and two days a week from two till four. Everyone is enjoying the practice and games and they are all learning the ins and outs of the sport quite readily.

Schedules have been drawn up for the playgrounds and will soon be put into use. It is hoped that by the use of these schedules several activities will be rotated so as to provide various games and classes for the children each day. The program is mainly to encourage a larger community participation in playground work both in older people and in the youth clubs. Softball, soccer, and other games can be played by these groups, if they wish, on the playgrounds.

The white man. The constant threat of tuberculosis and the heavy infant mortality rate is one of their chief worries.

Another source of worry to the redman is that he is not only impoverished financially but in the matter of vitamins and minerals as well. What is the cause of this? We asked. "The chief reasons are, no deer, caribou or moose, the once well stocked reserves where these animals roamed the plains in thousands are now completely depleted. This meat formed the best part of the Indian and Eskimo's diet as well as other animals he once was able to trap and hunt. Now he is being rapidly reduced to starvation. But there are still ducks and geese by the thousands, to the sportsman, who duck hunts in the fall, Fort George would prove a "paradise". There are miles and miles of nothing else but blueberries too, cranberries are also plentiful and so is bear meat. But that fare alone is not enough.

Family allowances and other relief measures help considerably. Milk is drunk in larger quantities now and vegetables are eaten in greater amounts.

"How about, schools, churches, forms of recreation and what constitutes the Redman's livelihood we wanted to know. There are two schools, one conducted by the Anglican Mission, the other by the Roman Catholics. There is also a seven bed hospital. For recreation, we skate, snowshoe and ride over the plains by dog team, the latter is still our main form of transportation. Trapping the various fur bearing animals and chopping wood for the Hudson Bay Company and the schools is the Indians means of making a living. Mr. Spencer continued, however the trapping means more than anything else. Some years are good, others are bad, it all depends on the elements."

Speaking about elements we learned that Spring came to Fort George rather late, in fact the river didn't commence its usual break-up until June 11th, there is still snow and plenty of it and the ice in places is five feet deep. "I'm sure you will appreciate our sunshine while you are in our town we said, to which he replied, yes I will, nevertheless I'll be very glad to get back to my home, there are many things I miss here, let me emphasize there are many, many things I do find wonderful here — shops, theatres, household appliances, cars and the very fine qualities of the R.C.M.P. and your opticians — and above all the people are as nice as any people anywhere, anywhere."

W. H. "Scotty"

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From his own experience at the time, he gave graphic description of incidents and details of the fire. Special mention was given to the tireless work of Provincial Police Officers Chas. Piercy and Geo. Murray, who seemed, literally, to go without sleep for days. The speaker paid special tribute to one of the outstanding heroines of the 1911 fire. This was Miss Marie Gibbons (now Mrs. J. Legris, of Timmins), telephone operator. Despite all advice, and even orders, she refused to leave the switchboard until she had called every number on the line to make sure that they knew of the danger and the necessity for seeking immediate safety. As soon as she was sure of the safety of others, she came out of the burning town, still wearing the smile for which she was beloved by all.

The late Dr. J. A. McInnis also came in for special reference for his devoted work at this testing time.

Reference was made to the clever way in which organization was perfected to care for those made homeless by the fire, the speaker himself being kept busy in this line. The weather had turned cold after the fire and shelter was an absolute necessity. By ten o'clock at night, practically everybody was provided shelter, mostly in tents and under blankets.

Telephone and telegraph operators and railway employees gave unbelievably long hours of hustle to serve the people's many needs. They were spelled at times by men having some previous experience, and who followed the general rule of doing anything they could to help.

One of the specially interesting photographs shown was a picture of two horses with badly burned backs. These were all that was left to Jack Dalton from his livery and transfer business. Everything else perished in the fire. In the panic over the fire, the horses seemed to be determined to return to their stables, after they had been rescued from the fire danger there. These two horses, however, had been rescued by Jack Dalton himself. He hung on to them, wading out into the lake, while still clinging to their bridles and holding them. The intense heat scorched their backs, but they were the only horses in the big stable that did not lose their lives.

The thanks of the club for the addressed were expressed by Kiwanian G. A. Macdonald, and President O. R. Kenne added personal words of appreciation.

Community singing was led by Kiwanian Bob Harvey, with Secretary W. H. Wilson at the piano.

Kiwanian Bob Harvey introduced the visitors for the day — Major Henry Majury, the new Salvation Army officer at Timmins, and Harold Hawkins, of Toronto.

Hearty greeting and welcome back was given to Kiwanian Arch Gillies, who has been absent for some months on account of illness. President Kenne voiced the general feeling when he said that all were delighted to

Constable Assaulted Youth Sentenced To Two Months Hard

Arrested for having beer in a public place John Fox decided to resist arrest and when being led across the intersection at Balsam and Third avenue he first struck the officer on the face and then kicked him on the knee. For his rashness the accused was sent to prison for two months with hard labour.

In evidence police constable George Richardson told the court that Fox was not drunk at the time but had been drinking. He was arrested, for drinking beer in a public place and as a result of the assault he, the constable, had to have a cast put on his knee which had been separated from the cartilage and had been unfit for duty for three weeks.

For the prosecution Crown Attorney S. A. Caldbick, K.C. stated, "In the course of his duty a policeman expects to be struck by drunks or have his arm bitten but this man was not drunk. He should be sent to jail."

"I agree with Mr. Caldbick," replied the magistrate and after the court was told that the accused had been sentenced in North Bay for stealing a car he passed the two month sentence.

SOUTH PORCUPINE Fire Department Win Three Prizes

The Temiskaming Firefighters Convention and annual tournament was held in Noranada July 1st. Fourteen members of the South Porcupine Brigade attended with their chief Bill Farren.

In the competitions between the fourteen brigades represented South Porcupine boys came home with 3 prizes. They placed second place in the 100-yd. dash and fourth place in the chief's foot race.

REDUCE SAFETY

If you are overweight, you must be particularly careful how you exercise or diet to reduce. People past the age of 40 have a tendency to put on weight. This may or may not be a healthful sign. That depends upon many factors, and only a trained medical person is competent to judge. In any event, reducing should always be carried out under strict supervision. It is not safe to start, suddenly, to exercise take off the pounds, if excess weight is due to some organic disease, unaccustomed exercise may do one harm.

see Kiwanian Arch, back again in renewed health and increased weight.

Reporting for the Attendance Committee, Chairman F. A. Woodbury said that attendance for June was 76.66 per cent, and the average for the six months of this year was 74.82. Ten members had perfect attendance for 1947 to date.

New Garbage Truck To Cost Town \$10,828

A garbage truck which is claimed to save 50% in time and space is to be delivered within the next two months. Councillor J. E. H. Chateauvert chairman of the public works committee, saw one in action while on a recent visit to Sault Ste. Marie and felt justified in recommending an additional expenditure of approximately \$4,000 on the present type of garbage collector.

The new truck is called the "Load Packer" and is so designed to make it possible to drain off most of the moisture and allow for easier handling and burning of garbage. It has a capacity of 15 cu. yds., is costing \$10,828.59 and was originally recommended by the town engineer Mr. McLean.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Anderson, Fourth Ave., have returned from a holiday at Toronto and other points.

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(Cedar Street at Algonquin Blvd.)

SUNDAY JULY 20th

Parade: 1.45 p.m. From Timmins Press Bldg. to Town Hall
Dedication: Algonquin Blvd. will be officially dedicated to the Algonquin Regiment. Ceremony will take place in front of the Town Hall at 2 p.m.

Parade: 2.30 p.m. from Town Hall to Hollinger Ball Park

Memorial Service: at 3.15 p.m. in Hollinger Ball Park a Memorial Service will be held to honour our War Dead.

We Ask Everyone To Attend These Events

All former Algonquins (active or reserve) are urged to register for their RE-UNION now.

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