

# Island Baseball League Organized Last Night

A five and possibly a six team Island Baseball League was formed here last night at an organizational meeting held in the offices of the Workmen's Compensation Board and attended by representatives of the various clubs.

Five of last year's six teams signified their intentions of operating in the Island League once more. The sixth team, Holman's Intermediates from Summerside, may enter and have been given until Thursday, May 14, to reach a definite decision. Teams who will definitely participate are the Intermediate and Junior Abbies, M.C.A., R.C.A.F. and the Summerside Curran and Briggs Juniors.

Joe Hunter of the R.C.A.F. was elected League President to succeed the retiring President, George Francis. Russell St. John of Charlottetown was elected vice president and Norman MacDonald of Summerside was elected secretary.

The executive members include Rob Schurman from the Curran and Briggs Juniors; Gerard Bernard from Holman's Intermediates; Tom MacParlane from the Junior Abbies; Danny McCormack from the Intermediate Abbies; Roy McCabe from M.C.A.; and F.O. Ross Burns from the R.C.A.F.

Many of last year's Island League regulations were again adopted by the meeting along with several new rules.

One of the new rules will see the Island League affiliating with the Prince Edward Island Baseball Branch of the A.A.U. of C.

Another rule was passed to prevent junior players from playing with an intermediate team without the consent of the junior team in the area with the exception of those who played with an intermediate team last year. Billy Purcell and Brian Lewis, players of junior age who are employed with M.C.A., were accepted from this ruling.

A third motion concerning Charlottetown ball players read to the effect that any player not required by the Intermediate Abbies would be released to M.C.A. Maritime Central Airways were given until June 20 to register their players, five days later than the other clubs.

Jimmy MacDonald, representing M.C.A. at the meeting, strongly objected to both the ruling concerning junior players and the regulation giving the Abbies priority on City ball players other than those employed with M.C.A.

Another regulation was passed whereby a player must sign a card before he can compete in the League. The ruling stated that a player in order to play in the League must sign a card and that card must be handed into the secretary by June 15.

The League is expected to open around June 14. May 14 has been chosen as the final date on which teams may be entered. Each team will be allowed a maximum of 18 men and the entry fee for each team will be \$50. Teams who fail to appear for a scheduled game will be subject to a \$25 fine and the discretion of the executive.

All players registered by a team must be living or working in the town or organization by June 15. The R.C.A.F. will be allowed replacements for any transfers provided that satisfactory proof of the transfer is given.

Each game must be completed by 10:00 p.m. and must be handed to the secretary of the League within twenty-four hours. With regard to infractions of the rules by players the referee-in-chief will forward a report in writing to the secretary of the League.

The next meeting of the League will be held on Wednesday night, May 13 at the Summerside Radio Station at seven o'clock.

Early in last night's meeting a vote of thanks was tendered to the retiring President Mr. Francis for the manner in which he handled the League last year.

# Holloman's No-Hitter Recalls Pitching Feats

By JOE REICHLER

NEW YORK, (AP)—Alva (Bobo) Holloman's spectacular no-hit, no-run performance in his first major league start Wednesday night prompted a search in ancient, dusty files that brought to light some eye-opening pitching feats by first time starters.

To begin with, Holloman is not the second pitcher, as previously reported, but the third to hurl a no-hitter in his first starting assignment. In addition to Charley Bumpus Jones, the Cincinnati right-hander who defeated Pittsburgh 7-1 with no hits, Oct. 15, 1892; Ted Breitenstein, a St. Louis Brown left-hander, shut out Louisville, 8-0, without a hit Oct. 4, 1891.

The Browns were then in the American Association, considered a big league at the time.

Holloman, of course, is the first modern pitcher to hurl a no-hitter.

# Baseball Schedule; Probable Pitchers

NEW YORK, (AP)—Probable pitchers for Friday's major league games. Won and lost records in parentheses:

**National League**

Philadelphia at Brooklyn (night) Simmons (4-1) vs. Loes (3-1). Pittsburgh at New York (night) Lapalmie (1-2) vs. Connelly (0-0). Chicago at Milwaukee (night) Hacker (1-3) vs. Antonelli (1-1). St. Louis at Cincinnati (night) Staley (2-1) vs. Perkowski (1-1).

**American League**

New York at Boston (night) Sein (2-1) vs. Brown (1-1). Washington at Philadelphia (night) Shea (1-0) vs. Shantz (3-2). Cleveland at St. Louis (night) Wynn (3-0) vs. Larsen (0-1) or Brecheen (0-3). Detroit at Chicago (night) Gray (0-2) vs. Dobson (2-2).

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We have just received a copy of the Maritime Hockey Yearbook through the compliments of "Stu" Foster. As usual the attractively covered book contains a complete and interesting account of the hockey highlights in the Maritimes and Newfoundland throughout the past season. And almost as usually too it has a picture of Charlottetown's "Buck" Whitlock on the cover. The cover picture this year was drawn by cartoonist Vic Runtz last January to commemorate the occasion of Whitlock scoring his 300th goal. Fans will recall that it showed Buck wearing a hockey crown while behind him stands a multitude of cheering fans. During the past five Hockey Yearbooks four times, which is quite a tribute to "Buck's" scoring ability.

Of special interest to hockey followers will be the M.M.H.L. All-Star team each year Mr. Foster conducts a poll of sports enthusiasts and sportsmen to select a Maritime Major League "Dream Team". This year's writer will pretty well agree with the team selected for 1953. It includes Al Miller in the nets behind a defense of Carroll Bloom from Halifax and the Islanders' George McLagan. "Buck" Whitlock won centre ice honors and Billy Fong on left wing. As can be seen the Islanders played four men and the Athletics two.

Carroll Bloom, the Halifax defenseman was the only unanimous choice of the voters. "Buck" Whitlock and Al Miller were next in line with an identical number of firsts and second place votes. The second place team had three Glace Bay players, two Islanders and one Halifax performer on its lineup. Don Lockhart of the Miners was the goaltender; Lloyd Hincheberger of Glace Bay and Steve Brklacich of the Islanders were selected on defense; and Watson of Halifax was picked for centre-ice with Bill McCracken on right wing and Marcel Clements on left.

25-year-old Dugger MacNeill was the choice of the voters for the All Star coach, a position he secured for himself by heading the League during the regular schedule and then winning the Maritime Championship. "Hub" Macey got the nod as the alternate coach. Both selections should be met with approval. MacNeill did a good job with a good team and MacNeill built his club from almost nothing to a strong championship contender.

Following last night's long meeting of the Island Baseball League, Brigadier W. Reid invited the League officials and the press out to the newly erected lighting plant. The system illuminates the ball field in a splendid fashion and in such a way that there will be no shadows to interfere with the fielding of the ball in any location. It is not expected that players will have any difficulty in adjusting themselves to play under the lights, but to make sure several practices will be held at night before the players get the go ahead sign to perform under the area in a regular game.

Officials last night used an old mud covered ball and could easily follow its flight in any part of the diamond. With a new ball there should be no trouble in this regard. The lights throw a glare onto the area surrounding the field so that league officials should not have to worry about losing many baseballs. The diamond itself is in good shape and it must be said that the boys really have the facilities this year to play some top-notch ball.

# Serious Problems Will Face C.A.H.A.-At Annual Meeting Opening Monday

Canadian Press Staff Writer By W. R. WHEATLEY

MONTEREAL, (CP)—When the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association opens its annual sessions Monday at Niagara Falls, it will face questions that can shape the future of hockey in this country.

This year's serious problems stem from the suspension by the CAHA last winter of its big Quebec branch, a situation which left recognized Quebec champions out of all three Dominion playoff series.

**Current Situation**

Here is the situation at the moment:

1. There is far better than an even chance that the Quebec Senior Hockey League, a \$1,000,000 or more than 1,000,000 this season, will turn out-and-out professional.
2. There is a distinct possibility that the agreement between professional leagues and the CAHA will be terminated.
3. There is a more remote possibility of junior clubs in Quebec Ontario making immediate moves to form a junior professional circuit.

Before the Niagara Falls meetings, officers of the suspended Quebec Amateur Hockey Association will meet with officials of the CAHA in Toronto Saturday.

"We want to know beforehand what will be done to reinstate what will be done to reinstate," said president Martin Conway of the QAHA. "Lacking assurance of reinstatement and full information, we will ask to appear before the full CAHA meeting and make our position known as an outgoing branch."

**List Of Demands**

Conway will carry with him a list of demands by George Slater, NHL president, that must be dealt with before the QSHL will consider returning to CAHA jurisdiction.

QSHL president Slater said: "We can't go along as in the past. We can't agree that all the money goes to the NHL. Furthermore, we see no money in the major series by playing the Maritime champions for the Alexander Trophy."

"We distribute much more to our clubs from our own playoffs than the CAHA ever did to all clubs—both from junior up—throughout Canada. The most CAHA ever distributed was \$104,000 for all three series in the playoffs. We distributed \$135,000 this year among six clubs..."

"We want more money for drafted players. It now is \$3,000 from minor pro clubs and \$5,000 from National Hockey League clubs. If we turn pro we get \$10,000 from any pro club. We had playoffs with the American Hockey League or the Western Hockey League or we would have to pay nobody from what we made. Now the CAHA gets all."

Slater also said the QSHL wants "fair time" to complete its own playoffs before the CAHA playoffs. The league returned to the CAHA it would also have to have assurance that its representative winner "would profit financially."

The QSHL would want a negotiation list, allowing two voting players to be named on each for each of the rights to the players to be exercised "within limited time."

The incident that set off the QAHA's suspension late last February arose over a junior player, Ron Atwell. The CAHA player transfer agreement was not properly transferred from the Ontario branch and was wrongfully issued a playing certificate by the QAHA to play with Montreal Canadian Juniors.

The QAHA maintained it rightfully owned the rights and offered to have a neutral authority settle the dispute. The QAHA then was suspended for flouting the CAHA's authority. Later all leagues, clubs and players within the Quebec branch were suspended by the CAHA. Just before the QAHA in order to "protect rights and players."

The NHL and other pro leagues then extended to the QSHL protection of players' lists.

This action displeased the CAHA which considered the pro procedure a breach of the pro-CAHA agreement. Termination of the agreement can be effected immediately by either side on a two-year notice.

The agreement has been in operation since 1947 and runs for 10 years unless terminated. It provides for payment by the pro to the CAHA of sums to support amateur organizations. The amount varied. It was \$27,000 this year and has reached \$40,000. Since the agreement began in 1947 the amateurs have received \$250,000. The agreement also makes such provisions as: mutual acknowledgment of jurisdiction and suspension; establishment of uniform help file the series, but Lester Patrick broke the deadlock and then clinched the cup with another.

A bachelor, his survivors include a brother, Tom Smith, old-time leading goal-getter in the National League.

# S'side Airmen Win Island Volleyball Title

The strong Summerside Air Force volleyball team last night won the Prince Edward Island volleyball championship and the Physical Fitness Trophy by defeating the City champion Basileia Youth Club in three straight games.

The airmen took the best of three series in two matches. They won the opener three games to one in Summerside on Wednesday night.

The B.Y.C. made their strongest showing in the opening game last night which the airmen won by a 15-11 score. The scores of the other two games were 15-4 and 15-5.

The addition of F.L.L. William Dean to the airmen's team spoiled the Youth Clubbers' chance for victory. The score was tied 11-11 in the first game when Dean joined the airmen.

The referee was George Andrew and the scorer Jackie Turner.

# Bratton Wins

CLEVELAND, (AP)—Sleek Johnny Bratton, gunning for a welterweight title bout with an unanimous decision over elusive Livio Minelli of Italy Thursday night in a 10-round bout in Cleveland Arena.

The hard-punching Bratton, who had considerable difficulty in finding his target, weighed 150 1-2 to 152 for Minelli.

# British Racing Ace Injured

NORTHAMPTON, (AP)—Stirling Moss, Britain's 25-year-old motor racing ace, crashed at 90 miles an hour during a trial run Thursday and suffered reported concussion and arm injuries.

Moss was practicing at the famous Silverstone track, near Northampton, for a meeting Saturday. His Jaguar overturned as he whipped around a curve at 90.6 miles per hour.

Later it was stated at the hospital that Moss' condition is "generally very good."

# Bowling Tourney Opens Monday

HALIFAX, (CP)—The annual Nova Scotia-Prince Edward Island bowling tournament opens here Monday.

Sixteen teams are expected in the four-day play. Taking part will be New Waterford, Sydney Commercial, Sydney Post-Record, New Glasgow, Truro, Yarmouth, Bedford, Dartmouth, Charlottetown, and seven Halifax entries.

The championship will be determined on a point basis.

Teams of auditors under the control of Auditor-General Watson Seller to keep an eye on the armed forces' stockpiling and records and the condition of their stores.

Mr. Howe said he'd like to see Mr. Seller make the best possible check and if the CCF was the best he was for it.

This was a spasm of mildness in the general storm that concerned the report of the Liberal majority of the defence committee which found that the public got value for its money in defence construction and that the facilities reported in the Currie report are being fixed up.

The Conservatives cited chapter and verse from the evidence to argue that there has been gross waste and carelessness, that the Liberals used their majority to refuse key evidence and to bring in a report that was "a complete camouflage of the facts." They accused the Liberals of making political speeches and of deliberately distorting the facts about Penhold, about the Currie report and Camp Petawawa and other as-

# Beautyification Week

His Worship Mayor J. D. Stewart agreed with the Committee that a Beautyification Week would be a good idea and stated that he would proclaim the week beginning May 17 as such in this city. In general it is hoped that home owners will freshen up their places.

Miss Lillian Duchemin, representing the Professional and Business Women's Club, also spoke of the need of an educational program and added that it would be aided by the Girl Guides. Also speaking briefly were Mr. John F. Connolly, chairman of the Traffic Committee, and Miss Katherine MacLennan, Supervisor of Nurses at the Provincial Sanatorium, who discussed the traffic parking problem on Prince Street.

# Election Talk

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or anyone else said he has had no connection with the firm since selling it before Korea began.

3. Howard Green (PC-Vancouver-Quadra) questioned Production Minister Howe's suggestion that the government might help keep key defence production facilities in shape by giving their products to European allies. He doubted that Canadians should be put to the expense of giving such gifts indefinitely and said it would be better if the facilities could be kept ready without actually producing.

4. Mr. Howe said there are certain lines, such as explosives, where experience indicates the best idea is to keep operating at a minimum pace even if the products must be given away. There were limitations to stockpiling because some items didn't stockpile well and his department must be ready for immediate mobilization.

5. Mr. H. H. Hurd (CCF-Kootenay West) who said he couldn't agree either with the Liberal view that all is well in defence construction or with the Conservative view that the situation is rife with inefficiency and extravagance.

**Wants Careful Check**

There had been waste and inefficiency but it arose largely from circumstances beyond official control. What his party wanted was

# Rap Memorial Cup Final As Back Alley Brawl

WINNIPEG, (CP)—Barrie Flyers won the Memorial Cup Wednesday night and Winnipeg sports writers agree they deserved it. But the kind of hockey that was served up to the customers met with criticism almost as rough as the final game itself. The match was described as a back-alley brawl and a disgrace.

The Flyers won three straight in home beat-of-seven series before St. Boniface Canadiens came up with a win, and the easterners made no mistake about it with a 6-1 lacing in the final game.

Tempera were as hot as the 88-degree weather as one of the highlights of Canadian sport turned into a 12-man battle royal.

Describing the game, Maurice Smith of the Winnipeg Free Press said: "It certainly wasn't hockey. It was a roughhouse, no-holds-barred brawl."

Smith also blasted referees Lou Leconte and Ching McDonald of Ottawa. He said they lost control of the game in the second period.

"The mess that passed for hockey, we don't care to see again."

He said it would go down in Winnipeg hockey history as one of the most dismal finishes.

"It was shaping up as the best game of the series until somebody lost his temper and the contest got away from the referees completely."

Leah also levelled a volley at the spectators, whose conduct was almost as bad as that of the players. Many of the audience didn't wait for the presentation of the trophy and some who did remain boisterous.

The Tribune writer called for more rigid rules regarding violence on the ice.

"If a man as much as raises his stick near an opponent's eyes, brows, chase him for keeps," he said. "Hard hitting hockey still can be clean hockey."

# Marion Is Enthusiastic Over Pitcher Holloman

ST. LOUIS, (AP)—"He proved to me that he's just about as good as he thinks he is."

That's manager Marty Marion of St. Louis Browns talking. Once skeptical about rookie Alva (Bobo) Holloman after unimpressive relief appearances, Marion has changed his mind about the eager, 27-year-old right hander.

After weeks of pestering for a starting job, Bobo finally got his chance and curved his way to a no-hit, no-run game against Philadelphia Athletics Wednesday night.

Holloman's achievement still held the baseball spotlight Thursday.

**Only Small Crowd**

Only a weather-thinned crowd of 2,473 fans sat in on Holloman's magnificent 8-0 victory. And they saw the show for free. Owner Bill Veeck announced their rain checks would be honored any time in the future to show his appreciation for their attendance on a rain-threatened night.

Holloman who pitched a one-hitter for Syracuse in the International League last season, was the talk of the Browns' office during the winter after a splendid season in Cuba. But after arriving late for spring training, he became just another rookie pitcher.

Only Holloman himself apparently thought Holloman had it.

"He's been asking me every night, 'am I going to start tomorrow's game?'" says Marion. "He's been pestering and pestering. I guess some folks would call him a screwball."

"But you know what he did and we're happy he's eccentric enough to pester the manager. He sure made a bum out of me."

**Holloman Confident**

Despite unimpressive relief showings (nine hits and five earned runs in 4 1-3 innings), Holloman was eager and confident.

The husky 207-pounder says, "I'm not a bullpen pitcher. I'd rather be in the minors than in the bullpen."

It was the first winning no-hit performance by a Brownie since 1917 when Ernie Koob and Bob Groom did it on consecutive days. It was 36 years to the day after Groom stopped Chicago 3-0.

Bobo Newman, for whom Holloman nicknamed—pitched no-hit ball for nine innings for the Browns in 1934, but lost 2-1 to Boston in the 10th.

# Baseball Results

(By The Canadian Press)

**American League**

No games scheduled.

**National League**

All games postponed.

**International League**

Springfield at Buffalo postponed

Montreal ... 010 000 010 0-2 12 0

Toronto ... 010 001 000 1-3 12 0

LaSalle, Lee (7) and Yelen; Post, Shore (9) Fahr (10) and Keller.

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Ottawa ... 202 300 10x-8 14 1

Krieger, Ciola (4) Melliere (6) and Rapp; Harrington and Watlington.

L-Krieger.

**pecks of construction.**

The Liberals accused the opposition of making the defence department a playground with the Currie report for a football. They quoted chapter and verse from the evidence to show that the construction program was satisfactorily conducted. They accused the Conservatives of wanting to use a meat-axe on defence officials and of walking in frustration because they sought scandal and couldn't find any.

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