

SPORTS FRONT

Yanks Announce Odd Switch

By KEN MACPHAIL

The New York Yankees have announced a change in player positions. They say that next year, Mickey Mantle will move to the infield to take over first base and that Joe Pepitone will move to the outfield.

Such a shift would seem to have a couple of potentially serious drawbacks. First of all, Pepitone's arm is not as strong as that of Mantle. The outfield, what with the Yanks' lack of pitching talent, is going to be a busy place next season, and people who play in that position ought to have arms of the strength of free trucks.

Secondly, and perhaps most important, is the question of whether Mantle's legs will allow him to perform the acrobatics required by infielders. There seems no doubt that the idea is to try to prolong Mickey's playing career, and granted, there is less running involved by playing first base, but will those gimpy knees of his stand up to the grinding and twisting that is part of patrolling lead sack?

Someone once asked the great Ted Williams, at the sunset of his career whether he could move to first base in order to be able to stay around a little longer. Ted said, "Yes, I could. But I'd be terrible."

The change, though, has been on coach Ralph Houk's mind for some time, and must have been well thought out. Yankee fans will be hoping it works, because to take Mantle's bat out of the lineup, even though it's not as potent as if once was, would indeed cut the effectiveness of their attack, such as it is.

JUSTICE SEEMS LACKING

A story originating out of Boston will give Bruin fans just cause for concern. The sad tale deals with the method to be used for stocking the clubs which will be entering the National League for the first time next year, and the whole idea will be classed as dirty pool by Boston supporters all over the country.

For years now, Boston has been building up quietly what must be the best farm system of any major-league club. They have dealt away seasoned veterans almost indiscriminately in their effort to bring along their youngsters to big-league calibre, and now appears that these efforts will have been all naught.

The proposed system is this: each NHL club will be allowed to protect a certain number of players (at the moment, 10 is the best guess), and as it loses one to one of the new teams, it will be allowed to freeze another in his place. Bruins, of course, will protect future top-notchers like Orr and Marotte. There is a chance, however, that they won't have to freeze Orr because he still has some junior eligibility remaining.

But as we said before, there are young pros waiting in the wings for the call to duty who are the end result, the finished product, of years of patience and perseverance of the part of both Boston management and rosters. It was this almost fanatical youth barge, which none of the other clubs seemed to favor, which seems destined to come back and plague Boston for years to come.

It seems you're wondering about the name of the mastermind behind this proposed system, it's Sammy Pollock, general manager of the Montreal Canadiens.

THIS AND THAT

The Ottawa Journal reports that Rough Rider manager Red O'Quinn has signed a new five-year contract, and that Frank Clair has also hired on a half decade deal. The account also says that O'Quinn has purchased a share in the club at a cost of \$50,000. It begins to look as though Stan Mikita is going to scramble away with another scoring title, practically unhampered. The flashy Hawk has an 11 point lead over Phil Goyette of the Rangers. Having no small part in his success is the fact that he's only received one penalty, a minor, so far this year. The Ottawa Maple Leafs brass, in their effort to improve their standing, once hired a figure skater to come and practice skating with their players some of the finer points. Seems the boys wouldn't take him seriously. Small wonder! Can you imagine Eddie Shack, Bobby Bau and company out there practicing about and showing off their wispish waists? Detroit coach Sid Abel would give just about anything, we figure, to have Terry Sawchuck back in the Motor city. His defence is anything but sound, and the player who won the Conn Smythe award for playoff heroism, Roger Crozier, has been a dud so far this year. Hank Bassen is good when he's hot, but bright when he's cold. No wonder Abel is raising Cain. Ed Giacomin, a Ranger standout in their recent surge, was discovered seven years ago while playing for a Bell Telephone team in Sudbury, Ontario league. The fine goalie was almost written off, hockey-wise, several years ago, when he spilled scorching grease on his leg.

Lakers Top Celtics By 1; 1st. Win In Seven Starts

The Lakers grabbed their first win of the young season by virtue of a close 56-55 win over the third place Celtics in the first game of a basketball twin-bill staged at the Basilica Recreation Centre last night. The win by the Len Sirois-coached Lakers was their initial win of the season and moved them to within one point of the Celtics in the four team loop. The game was very exciting with each team holding the lead several times in the final half before Rolfe Diamond of the Lakers arched a one-hander through the twines with three seconds remaining.

Newcomers Len Morrissey and St. Clair Ellsworth were high men for the winners picking up 17 and 12 points respectively. For Morrissey it was his highest output of the season. Fred Ripley swished 17 points

for the losers while Eromett Ellsworth added 14 points and Don Baker another 9.

In the night's second game the Warriors, although behind four points at the half-time break, played thrilling offensive ball in the last five minutes and pulled out a close 66-61 victory over the Pistons.

The win by the Warriors increased their first place lead to five points over the second place Pistons. For the second week in a row Art "The Tranquillizer" Strang showed his two rookie teammates, Peters and White, the finer points of clutch basketball as he paced the winners offensively with 22 points. John White and Brian Peters picked up 15 and 12 points respectively.

Dennis Taylor was the big gun in a losing cause for the Pistons cutting the twines for 25 points.

Hockey Tournament Is Confirmed Here

SUMMERISIDE — Charles Ballem, Director of Physical Education at Summerside High School, said yesterday that participation of four high schools in the Christmas holidays hockey tournament, which begins here December 27, has been confirmed. The four schools are Moncton High School, Colonel Grey High School of Charlottetown, Prince County Vocational High School and Summerside High.

Two games will be played on December 27, though the schools have not yet been matched for these games. On December 28 the winners of the first games will play for the tournament championship and the losers will play each other in a consolation game.

EXHIBITION GAME

Also on December 28, which has been named "Summerside High Grads Day", two teams made up of grads from the local high school will play an exhibition game, and there will be exhibition basketball and volleyball, bowling and a sock hop.

Mr. Ballem said the Summerside high school season will begin December 17 with an exhibition game against Charlottetown Rural Regional High School, and that an Island high school league will start its schedule immediately after the Christmas holidays.

The high school league, organized by the P.E.I. Interscholastic Athletic Association, the high school sports governing body for the Island, will be a five-team Senior "A" league including teams from Montague, Colonel Grey, the Provincial Vocational Institute from Charlottetown, Prince County Vocational High and Summerside High. Mr. Ballem noted that three of the teams in the league will be competing in the tournament here December 27-28.



MONTREAL Canadiens by the stumbling Toronto Maple Leafs goalie, Terry Sawchuk, for Montreal's first NHL game in Montreal Wednesday night.

Rangers Defeat Bruins; Habs Wallop Leafs 6-3

NEW YORK (AP)—Rod Gilbert fired two second-period goals Wednesday night as New York Rangers roared to an up-hill 4-2 victory over Boston Bruins in a National Hockey League game.

Gilbert scored his first goal, tying the game, at 7:16 of the second when he beat Ed Johnston from 10 feet out on the left side. The goal came on a perfect pass from Harry Howell.

Gilbert hit for his second goal at 15:35 when he blistered a 20-footer past Johnston moments after the Boston goaltender had made a spectacular save on him.

Bob Nevin gave the Rangers an insurance goal when he beat Johnston from close up with less than six minutes' play.

Boston jumped into a 2-0 lead in the opening 10 minutes of play. Ron Schock scored when his shot from behind the New York net bounced off Ranger defenceman Arnie Brown and trickled between goaltender Ed Giacomin's pads.

Giacomin made it 2-0 on a shot from a slap shot at 11:30 point after Donnie Currie's clearing pass right to his stick.

Kurtenbach got the Bruins on the scoreboard with 21 seconds left in the opening period. Hadfield, who drew three assists on the night, set up the power play goal.

The loss extended Boston's winless streak to six games.

**SUMMARY**  
 First period — 1. Boston, Schock 5 (Murphy, Connelly) 3:27; 2. Boston, Green 5 9:50; 3. New York, Kurtenbach 4 (Hadfield) 15:35. Penalties

**Fleming 8:32, McKenzie 18:22.**  
 Second period — 4. New York, Gilbert 9 (Howell, Hadfield) 7:16; 5. New York, Gilbert 10 (Kurtenbach, Hadfield) 15:35. Penalties—Green 2:34; Neilson 8:35.

Third period — 6. New York, Nevin 5 (Goyette, Marshall) 13:33. Penalties — Brown 6:48; Connelly 10:49.

**Shots on goal by**  
 Boston 6 7 7—20  
 New York 13 18 15—46  
 Attendance—13,133

By AL McNEIL  
 MONTREAL (CP) — Montreal Canadiens went on their largest scoring spree of the season as they beat Toronto Maple Leafs 6-3 in a National Hockey League game Wednesday night.

The win also marked another milestone for the Canadiens as Henri Richard, their driving force, reached the 250-goal plateau in his 12-year career.

It was Montreal's first win in five starts over the first-place Leafs this season. Canadiens had lost three and tied one in the four previous meetings of the clubs.

Richard's first period goal moved him into 18th position in

the all-time National Hockey League scoring leaders, and 10th among players still active in the league.

Right-winger Claude Larose added a pair of goals, Yvan Cournoyer picked up his seventh of the season—all on the power plays—Bobby Rousseau had his sixth and Jean Beliveau his second to round out the Montreal scoring.

Jim Pappin, Tim Horton and captain George Armstrong were the Toronto goal scorers.

**SUMMARY**  
 First period—1. Toronto, Pappin 5 (Kelly, Jeffrey) 1:54; 2. Montreal, Richard 7 (Provost, Laperriere) 8:41; 3. Montreal, Larose 5 (Ferguson, Harris) 11:27; 4. Montreal, Cournoyer 7 12:04; 5. Toronto, Horton 3 (Jeffrey, Ellis) 18:56. Penalties—Ferguson 1:12; Pappin 3:56; Baun 11:27; Richard 12:35; Larose 17:02; Coscher 20.

Second period — 6. Montreal, Larose 6 (J. C. Tremblay, Ferguson) 4:51; 7. Toronto, Armstrong 3 (Mahovlich, Keon) 7:53; 8. Montreal, Rousseau 6 (Beliveau, Laperriere) 14:54. Penalties — Backstrom 5:59; Harper 10:04.

**Island Teams Prepare For Que. Games**

At least 11 teams from this province are scheduled to take part in the First Canadian Winter Games to be held in Quebec. Athletes all over the Island are making preparations for the games which begin on Feb. 11.

Regular workouts have been held in many of the sports and though the final makeup of teams has not been decided the teams have been partly selected already. Completion of the makeup is expected soon as all team rosters have to be in the hands of provincial co-ordinator David Boswell by December 31.

Moving rapidly towards the goal of this date are the teams to take part in volleyball, synchronized swimming, gymnastics, hockey, table tennis, girls basketball, shooting and figure skating. Selections for the other teams are to be made on the following dates: badminton, Dec. 10 to 17; curling, Dec. 27 and 28; skiing, whenever weather permits.

Rangers Face PVI At Forum Tonight

Tonight at the Charlottetown Forum, the Rogers Rangers take on the Provincial Vocational Institute in the first Junior hockey game in the city this week. These two teams are the cellar dwellers of the League. The Rangers are in third place in the four team loop and the PVI club is at the bottom with only one point; that one gained when the season was only opening.

The Vocational team has two of the best players in the league in their lineup in Paul Gallant and Paul Stanley but the club as a unit can't get together the power to keep up a sustained offensive throughout three periods of hockey. Their total goals is, however, no indication that this team is unable to play with the remainder of the league. Against the Saint Dunstan's University Juniors, Sunday, they missed many sure goals merely because the gods were looking the other way.

In the Ranger camp, all is not well. There are rumors of dissatisfaction of the team. This club has the talent to play well as the fans have seen in earlier games and they have a couple of the most capable defencemen in the league in Bob Stewart and Doug Murnaghan. With goalie Francis McNally in the nets they should be holding the rest of the league in check. But the Rangers are having trouble with their forwards. The feeling is that a couple of key men are not producing as they are capable of doing. It is possible that coach Larler is trying new combinations in the near future. He has expressed dissatisfaction with the club and has promised a changed team will hit the ice for tonight's game.

BOWLING ROUNDUP

SUMMERISIDE — The pins were falling in quick succession in the Thursday Ladies League as another week of bowling wound up at Crest Lanes in Summerside.

Charlotte Cooling kept the pins rocking with a 349 single and a 773 triple. Alleycats are ahead in the eight-team league with 39 points, with Fighters runner-ups at 34.

The Men's Major League provided the best bowling scores of the season as Duck Arsenault picked up a 401 and also had an 864 triple. Steele led the league with 40 points, and Gallant Movers have 38.

Cedric Gaudet's 316 and 794 were tops in the Mixed B League, while Ann Matheson's 239 single, and Jennie Simmons' 215 triple topped the ladies. Hibbles lead with 54, followed by Smoothies 49.

Bob Quinn led the Over Forty League with a 385 single and 778 triple. Spoil Brats (30) and Hogan's Heroes (14) are the leaders.

In the Legion League, Marie Farley had scores of 271 and 698, to lead the women, and John Rolfe's 294 and 776 led the men. Team leaders are Luckies with 43, and Poor Sports with 39.

In the Men's All-Star League, Frank Creamer rolled a 343 single, and Vic MacAvoy tossed a 773 triple. Teenagers led with 63½ in team standings. Fallouts have 59.

Moonsheads took over the lead in the Rural League Tuesday night. They have 48 points, compared to second-place Eagles 46. Eagles were ahead in the league all season up until last Tuesday.

In the Teachers League Tuesday, Charlie Monty's 721 was high triple score. Parkside lead with 37 points, and Alleycats have 31.

In the Mixed A League, Dave Fagan and Bud Peterson each bowled 275 singles, while Fagan came through with a triple of 713. Smallmans and Zig-Zags are tied for team honors with 41.

In the Tuesday afternoon Ladies League, Norma MacNeil bowled a 260 single and rocked the pins at a big 717 for trips. Defenders with 35 points lead, followed by Roll-Offs with 33.

In the Friday Rural League, Jewels lead Ravens with three points, 29-26. Borens Enman had a 224 single for ladies, and Bob Enman bowled scores of 264 and 692.

Nina Franklin was top gal-in the Guys and Gals League during the past week with a 279 single. Don Weinger led the gents with a 293 single, and Jesse Newell had a 680 triple. Singers lead with 35 and Gags have 34.

Wanda Chappell again was top bowler in the Tuesday Ladies League, with 267 and 686 scores. Dodgers lead, with Muddbenn and Blue Angels trailing with 40 each. Dodgers have 43.

Agnes Poirier had 241 and 630

Aces Manage 9-7 Victory Over Nats In Rough Game

SUMMERISIDE — Pope Motor Aces moved into a second-place tie with Borden Legion Nationals, by hanging on for a 9-7 win over in the Nats in a rough Island Intermediate Hockey League game here last night.

A total of 22 penalties—including six majors, two misconducts, and a game misconduct—were handed out as fistfights took over late in the second and third periods.

Summerside scored the first three goals of the hockey game and came off the ice with a 3-1 lead after the first 20 minutes. They split four goals with Borden in the middle frame, to lead, 5-3, after two periods.

In the finale, the Summerside squad built up an 8-3 lead and coasted the rest of the way. After splitting a pair, the Nationals' Gabe Keough roared through for three goals within a minute and 26 seconds, to put Nats back in the game, only to have the clock run out.

Dave Martin and Willie Gallant proved to be the 1-2 punch for the Aces, as Willie set up three as well as scoring once himself, and Dave blinking the light on four occasions.

Newcomers Lynn Foley, Bobby Perry, Lucien Hamelin, and Dave MacPhee were the other Summerside snipers.

Keough paced Borden's attack with a five-goal night, including his third period hat-trick. John Noonan and Garth Murry scored the others.

Martin's first goal at 4:35 of the opening period was scored when he got away from the Borden defence at the blue-line and broke in all alone. About a minute later, he flipped a Willie

Gallant pass through Campbell on a screen shot from about 20 feet out.

The nicest passing play of the night came when Gallant fed the puck to Perry at the 8:10 mark, and Perry hit the corner.

Keough's first marker started at center and he went the distance to get by Gerald Smith in the Summerside cage easily. Both teams stressed the defensive during the period.

Martin's third marker at 2:04 of the second was a rebound after Gallant hit goalie Campbell point-blank. Keough found the range for Borden at 5:06 on a power play that got going across the front of Aces' cage.

Martin's fourth score was a picture play as he deked by the defence and deked the twines.

Borden came back in the third and their comeback was aided by great goal-keeping by Campbell, who turned aside 11 shots in the period.

Referee for the game was Marty Martin, with linesmen being Ira Creelman and Tony Rivard.

**Standings**

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Borden	1 2 15 22 2
Summerside	1 3 30 35 2

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