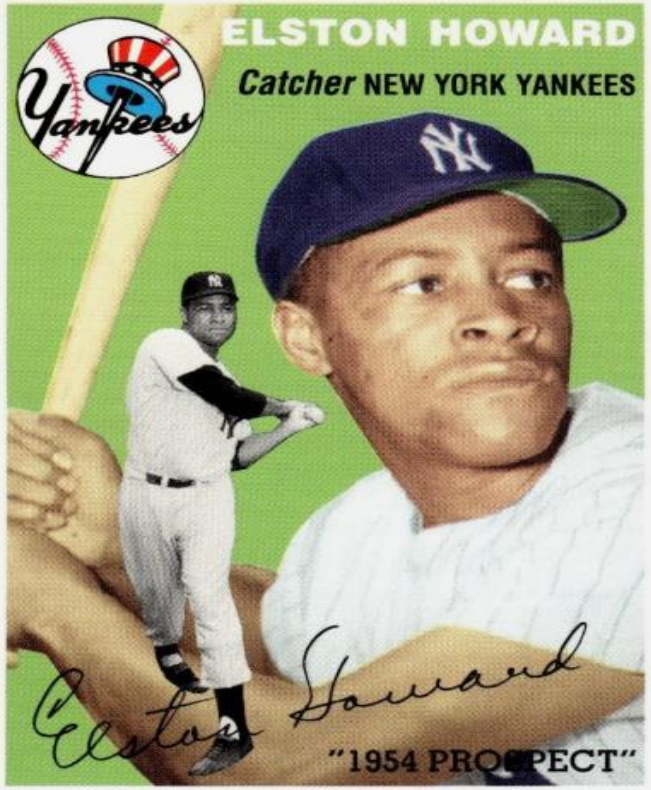
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Throws Right
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Born: February 23, 1929

Elston joined the Yankees' organization from the Kansas City Monarchs, July 24, 1950. A powerfully-built player, he slugged 9 Home Runs and had 42 Runs Batted In at Muskegon in his initial campaign. Elston spent the 1951 and 1952 seasons in Military Service before resuming his Baseball career last year. He's slated to play at Toronto in 1954.

| | MINOR LEAGUE BATTING RECORD | | | | | | | | | FIELDING RECORD | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Games | At Bat | Runs | Hits | Doubles | Triples | H.R. | R.B.I. | B. Avg. | P.O. | Assists | Errors | F. Avg. |
| *Year | 139 | 497 | 58 | 142 | 22 | 9 | 10 | 70 | .286 | 228 | 20 | 10 | .965 |
| Life | 193 | 681 | 80 | 194 | 28 | 11 | 19 | 112 | .285 | 289 | 28 | 13 | .961 |

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# MARILYN SWIMS LAKE

## Quake Levels Algerian City, Hundreds Die



Teen-ager Makes Game Struggle to Finish Historic Swim Across Lake



Marilyn Bell Cheered by Huge Crowds at Finish.

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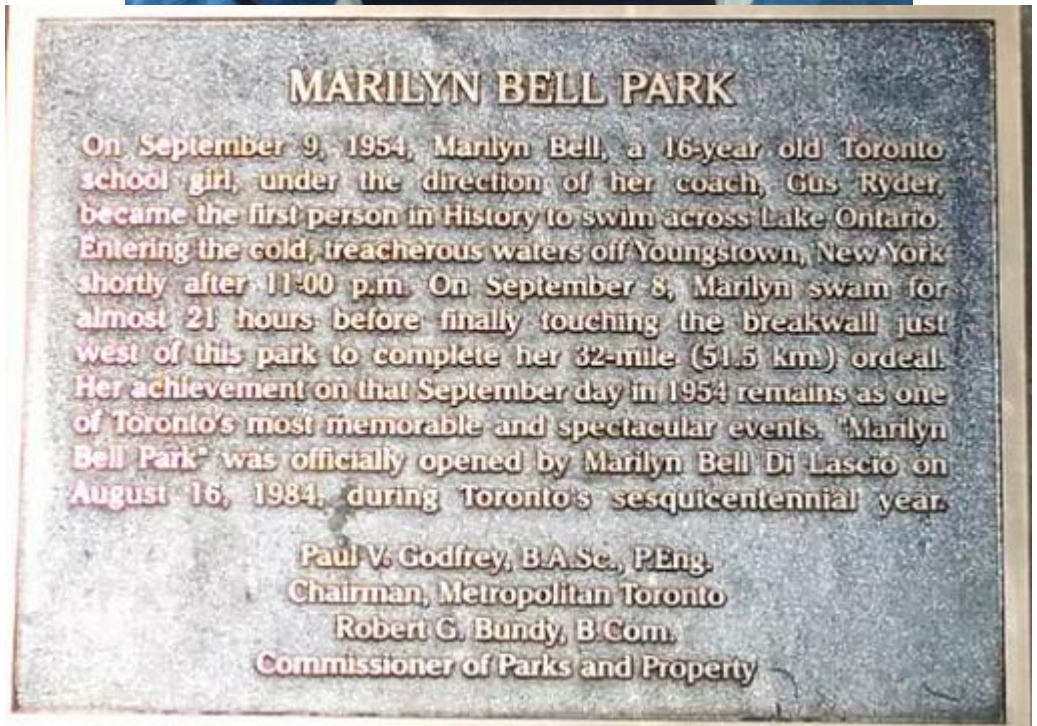


Life-Savers Support Marilyn as She Binds Exhausted Boats Beneath.

## Wireless Bulletins Flashed Details Of Marilyn's Grim Ordeal in Lake

## Collapses in Boat, Feels Terrific Later







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Wren Janet Ferguson of Toronto, at left. At right the duchess addresses the crowd. She said hospitality of Canadians. People in the U.K. were conscious and grateful of the resources o

# NEGRO TOURISTS REFUSED MEAL, IS DRESDEN CHARGE

Special to The Star

Dresden, Ont., Aug. 28 — A Negro businessman and his wife from Cincinnati and their two Indian companions were refused service in a restaurant here yesterday.

The Cincinnati couple, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert J. Allen, both middle-aged, were returning from a two-week vacation in Canada where they had stayed at first-class hotels in Toronto, Hamilton and Niagara Falls. With them were an Indian and his wife whom they had picked up hitchhiking on the highway. Service was refused all four in the cafe.

"I certainly didn't expect treatment like this anywhere in Canada," Mr. Allen said. "I would like to do everything I can to eliminate this sort of thing everywhere."

H. R. Burnette, secretary of the National Unity association here, said his organization was forwarding a complaint to the Ontario department of labor. "The Fair Accommodation and Practices act has been law for about three months now," he declared. "We think it's about time it was enforced."

The complaint has been sent to J. R. Nutland, appointed by Hon. Charles Daley, Ontario labor minister, to deal with the discrimination problem. "Mr. Nutland should come here and investigate," Mr Burnette stated. "We want proof that this law means what it says and can't be ignored without fear of penalty."

## U.K. PRAYS FOR SUN TO SAVE SOGGY CROP

York, Aug. 28—(Reuters)—The Archbishop of York, Dr. Cyril Garbett, today called on clergy throughout Britain to pray Sunday for good weather to save the harvest from further destruction. Britain has had one of the wettest Augusts on record.

The Farmers' union has requested country-wide prayers because of mounting damage to crops and "imminence of a catastrophe."

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**THE 1954 BROTHERHOOD AWARD** of Beth Sholom synagogue will be conferred upon Joseph S. Atkinson, right, president of The Atkinson Charitable Foundation, recognizing unbiased service of the Foundation to the people of Ontario. First winner was Premier Leslie Frost, left, honored in 1950 for his government's Fair Employment act, which outlawed discrimination in employment. Mac Shore, left centre, president of the Brotherhood, and Harry Polevoy hold award

# ATKINSON FOUNDATION PRESIDENT TO RECEIVE BROTHERHOOD AWARD

In tribute to The Atkinson Charitable Foundation's unbiased service to the people of Ontario, the 1954 Brotherhood Award of Beth Sholom synagogue will be conferred upon Joseph S. Atkinson, president of the Foundation.

"The whole record of the Foundation is a splendid example of devotion to the needs of humanity, regardless of race or creed," said Harry Polevoy, chairman of the Brotherhood's special events committee.

Mr. Atkinson is the fourth person to win the award, which is presented annually to the Ontarian credited with the greatest contribution in promoting brotherhood among all classes, races and creeds in the province.

**First Presented in 1951**

The first winner was Premier Frost in 1951, for his government's Fair Employment Practices act, which outlaws discrimination in employment on racial or religious grounds. In 1952 the honor went to Jack Kent Cooke as the first owner to hire Negro players for the Toronto Maple Leafs baseball club, and as an employer who makes non-discrimination the rule in his radio and publishing enterprises. The 1953 winner was John J. Fitzgibbons, motion picture executive and director of the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews.

Mac Shore, Brotherhood president, pointed out that Protestant, Catholic and Jewish organizations and individuals have benefitted from the Foundation's many grants. As examples of aid to Jewish causes he mentioned recent grants of $100,000 each to the New Mount Sinai

## NAVY LEAGUE HOLDS TAG DAY TOMORROW



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**OTHER WINNERS** of the coveted award were Jack Kent Cooke, left, in 1952, for employing Negro ball players for the Toronto Maple Leaf team, and John J. Fitzgibbons, executive director of the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews

## SAY SUBWAY CUT BUSINESS ASK PARKING BAN LIFTED

Complaining their business

way east of Yonge St. can hold 500 vehicles and is not nearly full, Ald. Grossman stated the matter should be reopened in Metropolitan council since Yonge St. is a Metro street.

Ald. Lipsett added that barring parking on Yonge St. was only

## 4-WAY-WALK GETS BAY-RI

A two-month trial of "fo way-walk" traffic signals for Bay-Richmond Sts. intersect that will permit pedestrians walk across the intersection all directions at once was proved yesterday by the traffic committee.

Robert Burton, city traffic gineer, said he would agree experiment with the system the busy downtown intersect although he noted it had b discontinued in Milwaukee London, Ont., and probu would be unsatisfactory here

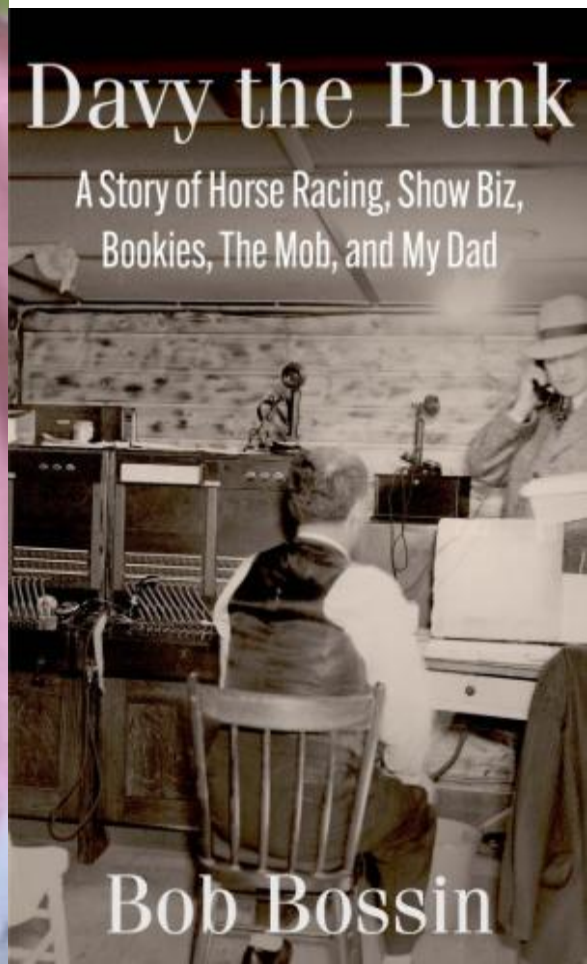
Ald. Grossman objected t the sidewalks on Richmond and Bay St. were not w enough to allow pedestrians move freely. Cost of the n signal system is $600.

## BIG 3 REJECT RUSS OFFER TO JOIN NA

London, May 7 — (AP) — T U.S., Britain and France s notes to Moscow today reject Russia's offer to join the No Atlantic Treaty organization.

Diplomatic officials repor the Western notes argu broadly that the security p posals put forward by Russians March 31 could in way replace the free partners of like-minded states at t


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*(r) Barclay Hotel on the eve of its destruction 1965*

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# Leafs Banking Heavily on Negro Players

## Speaking on Sport

By Milt Dunnell – Sports Editor

### A Quick Lesson in Economics

SPEEDBOY Sam Jethroe, currently patrolling centre field for the sons of Sewell, is as good an exhibit as the class in economics needs to illustrate the uncertainty of baseball as a profession—and as an investment. In the spring of 1950,



ADDIS



JETHROE

Sam was one of the most debated men in the business. Most of the arguments hinged on the question: "Was he worth all that dough?" He was supposed to have cost the Boston Braves somewhere between $100,000 and $150,000. Since Branch Rickey had done the selling, there was strong sentiment in favor of the belief the Braves had been overcharged—regardless of the purchase price. This was no reflection on Sam. It was merely the conviction that Rickey always got more than the real worth, no matter what he was selling. When the Braves bought Jethroe from the Montreal Royals, they also acquired Bob Addis from the Brooklyn organization, and Roy Hartsfield from their own farm club which was then at Milwaukee. Addis had hit close to .350 for Montreal and St. Paul. And most of the reports on Hartsfield said he couldn't miss winning the second-base job at Boston. Five seasons later, Jethroe is here. The Leafs have just shipped Addis to Kansas City. And Hartsfield has that infield job. Only it's with the Royals—not the Braves.

If all three feel as happy about their fortunes as Jethroe

## DUPAS SWARMS TO WIN OVER DENNIS BRADY

New Orleans, April 29—Young Ralph Dupas' victory over rugged Dennis (Pat) Brady of New York in New Orleans last night placed the 19-year-old boxer closer to a title fight with lightweight champion Paddy Demarco.

Dupas, a New Orleans favorite, scared a 10-round unanimous decision over his more experienced Eastern opponent in a nationally televised lightweight bout from New Orleans.

Dupas, weighing 137 pounds, opened cuts over Brady's eyes in the first round, employing a shifty dancing style with sudden punching flurries.

Brady, however, was not seriously handicapped from the cuts. The former Hartford, Conn., belter, who weighed 138¾, had his best round in the fourth when he measured Dupas with quick left hooks to the head and solid rights to keep his lighter opponent on the defensive.

Judges Eddie Wolfe and Francis Kercheval scored the fight six rounds for Dupas, two for Brady, and two even. Referee Pete Giarruso had it six to four

## The Log of an Absent-minded Toronto Citizen











## TAB ELSTON HOWARD AS LIKELIEST CANDIDATE FOR BIG LEAGUE BERTH

By NEIL MacCARL

One of the first changes brought about after Jack Kent Cooke assumed ownership off the Maple Leafs in mid-season of 1951 was the appearance of Negro players in Toronto uniform for the first time. Infielder Charlie White and pitcher Leon Day were the first Negro players to wear the Leaf flannels, and a short time later, pitcher Frank Barnes was purchased.

None of the trio ever developed into an outstanding star, although White eventually got to the majors as a catcher with the Milwaukee Braves, and Barnes is still with the Leafs. He was one of ftheir best pitchers in spring training.

**Have Developed Stars**

From the time Jackie Robinson broke the color line to become the first Negro player in baseball in modern times at Montreal in 1946, every team in the league except Buffalo and Rochester has had Negro players, and all except the Leafs have turned out some stars.

Starting with Robinson, the Montreal Royals sent Don Newcombe, Roy Campanella, Sam Jethroe, Hector Rodriguez, Junior Gilliam and Jim Pendleton to the major leagues. The now-defunct Jersey City Giants had Monte Irvin and Hank

### Baseball Results Standings

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

| | W. | L. | Pct. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Buffalo | 4 | 1 | .800 |
| Syracuse | 3 | 1 | .750 |
| Havana | 4 | 3 | .667 |
| Rochester | 4 | 4 | .500 |
| Toronto | 4 | 5 | .444 |
| Richmond | 3 | 7 | .300 |
| Montreal | 1 | 3 | .250 |
| Ottawa | 1 | 4 | .200 |

Yesterday's Results
No games scheduled.

Games Today
Havana at Toronto, Buffalo at Ottawa, Syracuse at Montreal, Richmond at Rochester.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

# Speaking on Sport

By Milt Dunnell – Sports Editor

## ptain of Scots Banned from Blades

YOUNG, the raw-boned Scot who is captain of the g Rangers soccer team, summed up his attitude ckey: "It's nay good bein' big an' brawny whin irectors will noo allow me tay skate." Young hints there might have been a different Scot skippering the Rangers if hockey had made its invasion of Scotland during his childhood. He was intrigued when he saw the game and immediately tried his luck on the blades. His football employers suggested gently that George was a little too old to learn such new and intricate tricks. After thinking it over, he decided it was good advice. In Scottish soc-



Y YOUNG

equivalent to Teeder Kennedy or Rocket Richard. hockey, he'd have been the laddie who was born oo soon. So he contents himself with being a fan sley Pirates, coached by Toronto's Keith Kewley, a shambles of the Scottish league.

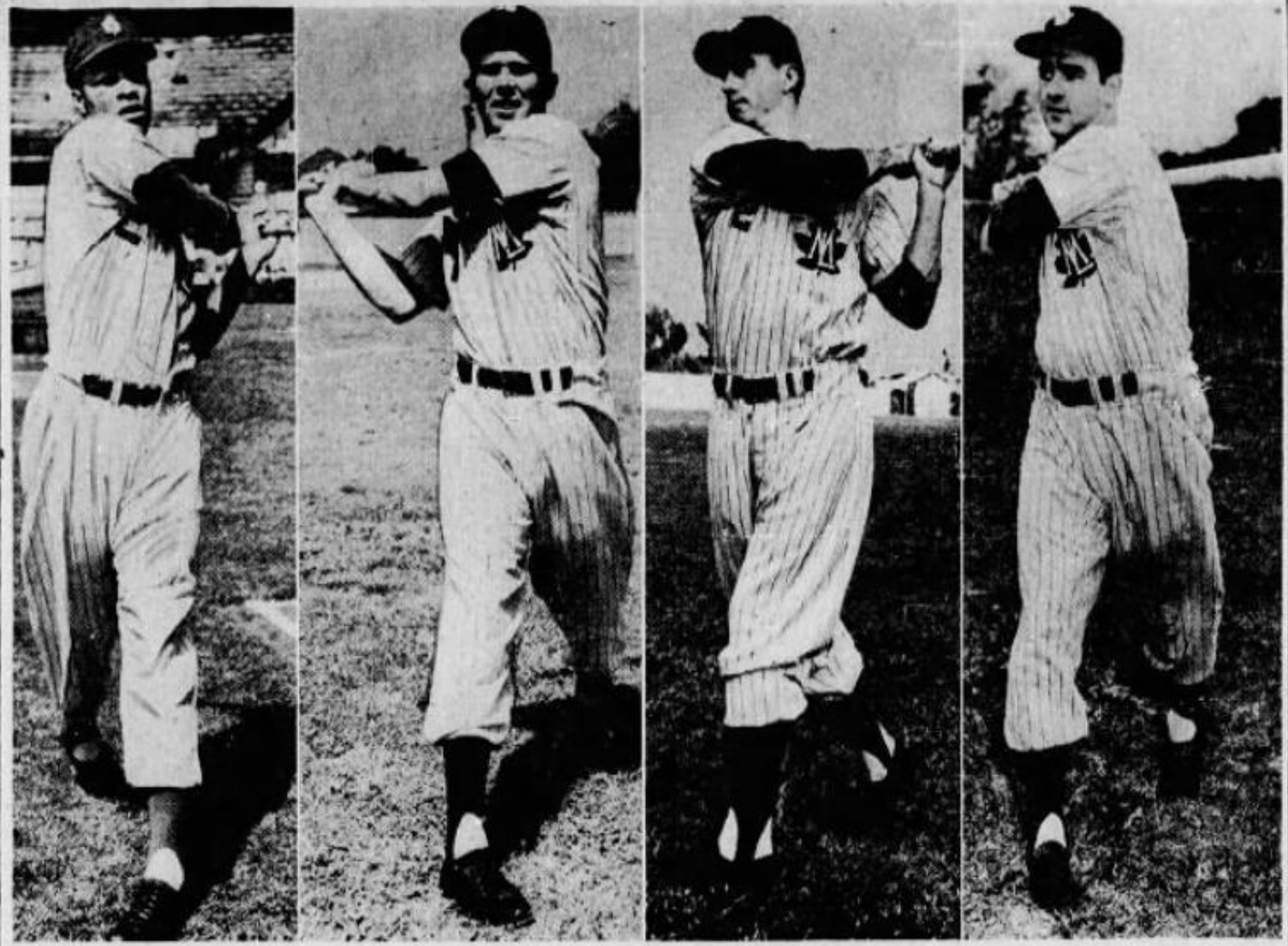
orge had taken up hockey, I'd have wanted him m," Kewley interrupted. "The way he plays this ccer is all the proof you need."

there's wan thing I've bin aimin' tay tell yuh," nonished. "In yair game, yuh have too mainy o' d fights."

y pondered this rebuke momentarily. He finally his Pirates had been involved in maybe seven fights 80-game schedule. In Canada, he suggested, the uld have been regarded as such an orderly band ers the customers would have suspected they were

s are part of the game in Canada," he told Young. hard to take a young Canadian over to Scotland m he can't do something that's been more or less

# Four Reasons Why Leafs Giving Opposition Hurlers Nightmares



—Star Photos by Priestley

TORONTO'S MURDERER'S ROW (L. to R.): ELSTON HOWARD, 431; BOBBY WILSON, 420; BILL DEMARS, 326; LOREN BABE, 372

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# Speaking on Sport

By Milt Dunnell – Sports Editor

## He's Exposed to the Best Instruction

BILL DICKEY, who caught 100 or more games per season over a span of 13 consecutive years with the Yankees, has helped teach 24-year-old Elston Howard, current rave of the Leafs, how to be a big-league catcher. Luke Sewell, who caught more than 1,500 big league games, is telling Howard how to be a catcher. Yogi Berra, generally conceded to be the best backstop in the American league, has shown Howard some of the trade secrets. So it shouldn't be much of a surprise if Howard turns out to be a catcher and a credit to his tutors. Of the three instructors to whom he owes his knowledge of the art, the only one who is indiscreet would appear to be Mr. Berra. A veteran baseball man, who preferred to remain unidentified, mentioned that angle yesterday at the village commons where our Leafs (they were 'Jack Cooke's Leafs while they were in the second division) celebrated firecracker day by blowing up the Buffalo Bisons in twin explosions.



HOWARD



SEWELL

"That Berra can't afford to slip very much while the Yanks have this guy around," the old sweat muttered. "Whether Yogi knows it or not, he has a man breathing hot on his neck and looking over his shoulder."

If Berra did regard Howard as a rival for his job, it's unlikely he'd be worried. Yogi doesn't panic easily. And, anyway, Howard is from St. Louis. Yogi is from St. Louis. Being from St. Louis is something of a brotherhood in baseball.

### Yankee Intelligence Had Him Taped

UNTIL Howard joined the Leafs, he had a record of only 11 games behind the plate at Kansas City. But he had been

# Tip-Of

By NEIL MacCARL

The amazing part of the Leafs' grand-slam five-f week-end was the fact accomplished with a patc infield and with two of t hitters suffering through slumps.

Outfielder Archie Wilso of the Leafs' best clutch went hitless in four game now has a zero for 19 and third-baseman Loren who also made his debut outfield, had two hits in 1 The result was a considera crease in production of but, at the same time, the got good pitching co games in four out of fiv

# Canada

Mcirfield, Scotland, Ma Don Doe of Granby, finalist in the 1953 Ca Amateur, reached the round of the British A golf championship today be edged M. C. Robins of at the 20th hole.

Andre Tessier of Quebe his second-round match 3 to Roy C. McGregor of Sc

Walter McElroy, Van entered the third round feating England's Dixon B son 3 and 2.

Defending champion Jo of Irrland, former champi Sweeny of Palm Beach Fl Frank Strafaci of Garden N.Y., swept into the third as better weather improve

# YORKS SCO OAKS LO



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# BUFFALO HALTS LEAFS BUT FAILS TO SILENCE HOWARD'S BOOMING BAT

By NEIL MacCARL

Elston Howard, the Maple Leafs' power-hitting catcher, credits a change in his batting stance for his sensational early-season hitting. It seems to be paying big dividends, because the husky 25-year-old is hitting as he never has before in his two years in organized baseball.

At Muskegon, in the Class-A Central league in 1950, Howard was a .283 hitter, and last year at Kansas City in the American association, he batted .286 after a two-year hitch in the army. His current average with the Leafs is .410 and he has been leading the league in batting almost since the start of the season.

### New Stance Pays Off

He hanged his fifth homer of the season, last night, a three-run blast, to account for most of the Leafs' tallies in a 6-4 loss to the Buffalo Bisons, which halted the Leafs' seven-game winning streak.

"I moved my feet wider apart," he says in explaining his highly successful new stance, "and I take a shorter stride. I used to keep my feet a lot closer together and took a really big stride when I stepped into the ball."

Howard's new stance has not only pepped up his average, but it has given him more power than ever before. He hit only 10 homers and nine triples all last season, but he has five circuit shots, and six three-baggers in 29 games this year.

Howard's increased power can-

## Leaf Box Score

| Buffalo— | AB | R | H | O | A |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| King, cf | 3 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 0 |
| Ricks, ss | 4 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| Mackie, lf | 5 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Northey, rf | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Crandall, cf | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Meeks, 3b | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Zernis, 1b | 3 | 1 | 0 | 11 | 0 |
| Bright, 2b | 3 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Ryan, c | 4 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Johnson, p | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Totals | 34 | 6 | 11 | 27 | 12 |
| **Toronto—** | **AB** | **R** | **H** | **O** | **A** |
| Bale, 3b | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| Rodriguez, ss | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| Jethroe, cf | 3 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Stevens, 1b | 3 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 0 |
| Howard, c | 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Gollat, lf | 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| A. Wilson, rf | 4 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 0 |
| R. Wilson, 2b | 4 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 6 |
| Minarcin, p | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Zilian, p | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Crimian, p | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| aGriffin | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| bJohnson | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 33 | 4 | 5 | 27 | 13 |

a-Singled for Crimian in 9th.
b-Ran for Griffin in 9th.

Fondy and Hank Sauer also tagged long balls, Sauer's good for three runs. Del Rice slammed a two-run homer to give the Cards a temporary lead in the second inning.

The Bruins routed loser Tom Poholsky with a seven-run uprising in the fourth. Southpaw Paul Minner allowed 12 hits as the Cubs pounded four hurlers for 14.

The defeat left the Cards 2½ games behind first-place Milwaukee, which topped Cincinnati, 7 to 6, last night as Crosley Field. The Philadelphia Phillies dropped Brooklyn to third place on an 8-to-6 victory at Ebbets Field and the New York Giants took over second on their 2-to-1 decision over Pittsburgh.

The Cleveland Indians' American league lead was clipped to

# CATS BALK AT TV DESIRE BLACKOUT OF TORONTO FIRST

Hamilton, Ont., May 27—(BUP)—Hamilton Tigers of the big four football league said today they will refuse to sign a network television agreement until the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation blacks out Toronto when the Tiger-Cats play at home.

The league agreed in principle with the CBC-Big Four TV arrangement, but Tiger-Cat president Jake Gaudaur said that no attempt had been made to pro-

in to rescue Gene Conley and quell a four-run, eighth-inning uprising by the Redlegs. Conley, the winner, doubled in two runs. Andy Pafko drove in two more with his four singles and Joe Adcock slammed a two-run homer for the Braves, who collected nine hits from loser Corky Valentine and four relievers. The win left the Braves a game-and-a-half in front.

Phillies' ace Robin Roberts scattered 10 hits as he chalked up his sixth victory. Del Ennis drove in five runs for the Phils, three of them on a homer in the first inning off loser Johnny Podres, who gave up nine of the Phils' 12 hits. Willie Jones added a homer in the ninth off Ben Wade, fourth Dodger pitcher. Duke Snider and Gil Hodges slammed two-run homers for the Brooks.

Davey Williams' fifth-inning homer provided the margin for the New York Giants and Ruben Gomez, who yielded six hits to four off Vernon Law. The day contest at the Polo Grounds was the shortest of the N.L. campaign —one hour, 49 minutes.

The Giants lost third baseman Hank Thompson for up to 30 days when x-rays revealed he fractured a bone in his left knee cap while sliding into home plate in Tuesday night's game with the Pirates.

At Comiskey Park, White Sox third sacker Cass Michaels singled home the winning run with the bases loaded in the ninth. Al Rosen upped his league-leading total to 12 with a sixth-inning homer. Sandy Consuegra, who relieved Bob Keegan in the ninth, took the win. Art Houtteman, fourth of five Cleveland hurlers, suffered the loss.

The Senators broke Lopat's 12-game jinx dating back to

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# YANKS SEE HOWARD AS MAN WHO MAY LUG YOGI BERRA'S BIG BAT

By NEIL MacCARL
Star Staff Correspondent

Buffalo, June 2—Even an old catcher like Bill Skiff, who now spends his time as a trouble-shooter for the New York Yankees' organization, admits he is pleasantly surprised by the progress Elston Howard has made as a catcher since joining the Leafs.

Skiff, former manager at Newark and Kansas City, has a special interest in the Leafs' power-hitting catcher. He was the fellow who started Howard as a receiver when he made him a present of the catcher's mitt he is still using.

**Needs Experience**

"I notice a big change in him," Skiff explained, after watching him during the Leaf's series in Montreal and here on Memorial Day. "He is moving around much better now, instead of merely reaching for the ball, and he is better at blocking low pitches.

"I know it will take time for him to learn to catch those pop flies. They are hard for anybody, especially after playing the outfield. He will need experience to learn how to set up pitches and take charge of the game. But he must be doing all right

## BIG LEAGUE LEADERS

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Batting—Avila, Cleveland, .368.
Runs—Minoso, Chicago, 41.
Runs batted in—Rosen, Cleveland, 49.
Hits—Avila, Cleveland, 64.
Doubles—McDougald, New York, 12.
Triples—Minoso, Chicago, 7.
Home runs—Rosen, Cleveland, 13.
Stolen bases—Jensen, Boston, and Rivera, Chicago, 6.
Pitching—Consuegra, Chicago, 5-0—1.000.
Strikeouts—Turley, Baltimore, 70.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Batting—Musial, St. Louis, .374.
Runs—Musial, St. Louis, 45.
Runs batted in—Musial, St. Louis, 52.
Hits—Jablonski, St. Louis, 69.
Doubles—Snider, Brooklyn, Musial and Jablonski, St. Louis, 13.

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## Speaking on Sport

By MILT DUNNELL—Sports Editor

*Triple-A Top or Big League Bottom?*

LOOKING at the bottom of the American league, the Leafs' Mr. J. K. Cooke might be tempted to sigh: "There, but for the matter of a million bucks, sits Toronto." It's still too early to assess whether Toronto won or lost when the St. Louis Browns were shifted to Baltimore. But it isn't difficult to decide which position is more comfortable. The top of the International, where the Leafs are scooting along, entails a lot fewer headaches than the basement of the American. Sure, the Orioles are in the big time. The Indians, the Tigers and the White Sox play there just as often as they do at Yankee stadium. But Baltimore is beginning to find out you have to give the folks more than a big-league franchise. Fans will stay away from their park for the same reason they boycotted the Browns in St. Louis. They're beginning to "hang," as the race-trackers say, and their first season is less than half over. That optimistic estimate of two million paid patrons has been watered down. Right now, they're talking in terms of 1,300,000. Next year it will be tougher unless the club improves. And the wolves will be more numerous. The three breweries which took up 100,000 tickets for promotion purposes may not be so generous. And pretty soon the Orioles will be like any other


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# Arnie the Unwanted Is New Fireman

By NEIL MacCARL
Star Staff Correspondent

Buffalo, June 24 — The way things are going with the Leafs, it's a team effort that is keeping them in first place. Every night, it seems to be a different fellow who is the big man in keeping them on top.

In the early part of last week, it was the pitching that was carrying the team. In the Ottawa series when the pitching sagged, the hitters picked up the slack. Moving over here, the pitchers carried the load, with Eddie Blake and Connie Johnson stealing the show. And even though starter Rudy Minarcin was belted out early last night and the Leafs needed most of their nine runs to win, it was reliefer Arnie Landeck, scoring his first victory of the season, who moved into the spotlight in the 9-6 win over the Buffalo Bisons.


Howard

No other pitcher on the team has had a tougher row to hoe than Landeck. Right from the time he was acquired in a $15,000 deal with the New York Yankees, along with Harry Schaeffer, he was unwanted. After a couple of relief performances in losing games, he was sold conditionally to Chattanooga in the Southern association.

And the only reason he is still with the Leafs is because Chattanooga didn't want him. However, at the time Landeck was returned, Al Zilian was sent out so he might get more work, and Bobby Hogue and Bill Miller were still not at the stage where they could help the team.

Strictly as a result of circumstances, the Leafs took Landeck back, and to the amazement of everyone but coach Bruno Betzel, who has been his strongest booster, Landeck has helped the team by filling in as long distance reliefer.

In spite of the fact he had pitched less than 10 innings since the season started, Landeck did an excellent job over six innings last night in checking the Bisons until the Leafs had overcome their early deficit.

Starter Minarcin, working one day ahead of schedule, was shelled for five runs in the first three innings, completely erasing the three-run lead the Leafs had given him before he had thrown a pitch.

Landeck, arriving on the scene with none out in the third frame, limited the Herd to two hits until the eighth inning, when Sammy Meeks singled and was caught in a double play, and Frank Carswell followed with a homer.

Manager Luke Sewell, reasoning that Landeck might be tiring after equalling his previous total innings, work for the season, lifted him for a pinch-hitter in the ninth, and Jack Crimian finished up.

Sam Jethroe's triple was the big blow in the Leafs' three-run first inning, and Elston Howard delivered a three-run homer in the fifth—his tenth of the year—to put the Leafs ahead to stay. Archie Wilson belted his eighth homer later off reliefer


Jethroe

Bill Fronts. He and Jethroe were the only Leafs to claim more than one hit.

## CHICK JAGADE BROWNS' STAR QUITTING GRID

Chicago, June 24 — (AP) — Chick Jagade, the fierce-running Cleveland Browns' fullback, said yesterday he was quitting pro-

## Bobo's Tempest in Whirlpool

By MILT DUNNELL

Alva Lee (Bobo) Holloman, who skidded all the way from a no-hitter in the American league right down to class B ball in the Florida International league within a year, has stirred up a tempest in a whirlpool bath. In Florida, the unpredictable Bobo blamed the Toronto Maple Leafs for his sore arm.

The International league, Bobo said, should investigate the




didn't get: From April 30 to May 8, Bobo received short-wave treatment and massage daily from Archie Campbell, who treats the aches and pains of Leaf players in both baseball and hockey. He also received galvanic manipulator treatment to loosen up his arm muscles.

At the completion of the treatments, Campbell's report said the arm seemed normal, and Bobo reported it was O.K.

"The first mention Bobo made

## 18-YEAR-OLD U.K. NET STAR TAXES TRABERT

Wimbledon, England, June 24 —(UP)—Tony Trabert, the tournament favorite from Cincinnati, O., swept into the fourth round

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# Leafs So Rough, Peril Own Records

By NEIL MacCARL

If Luke Sewell's sluggers continue knocking down the fences at their present pace, the current edition of the Leafs will go into the record books as the most "powerful" team in Toronto's history, and it could become the best hitting team Toronto has ever had.



SAM JETHROE

The Leafs used home runs by Elston Howard and Sam Jethroe to power them to a 4-3 decision over the Richmond Virginians at the stadium last night and boosted their season total to 64 four-baggers in the same number of games. If they maintain that pace until the end of the year, they would finish in the vicinity of 130. The best previous mark for a Leaf team was 140 in the 1949 season when Ed Sanicki and Bill Glynn led the parade.

The best batting average ever compiled by a Leaf team was .289 in the 1935 season. The current crew has a team mark of .293, including five over-.300 hitters—Elston Howard, .344; Bobby Wilson, .341; Bill DeMars, .327; Loren Babe, .312 and Lew Morton, .304.

The big reason the Leafs should be able to improve on the team home run record is that there are so many players taking part in the assault. It isn't merely a matter of one or two big sluggers. The Leafs have five fellows each with a good chance to top the team in four-baggers.

Elston Howard's two-run blast, which put the Leafs in front 3-1 in the fourth inning last night, was his 11th of the year, and enabled him to tie Loren Babe and Ed Stevens for team honors. Sam Jethroe followed Howard by crashing his ninth of the year. Archie Wilson has the same total.

The Leafs' other tally of the evening, and the one which tied the score at 3-3, was cashed by pitcher Eddie Blake, who must be the best pitcher in the league when it comes to cashing runs. His third-inning single plated his 13th RBI of the season.

Blake retired the Virginians in order in only one inning, but he kept their 10 hits well scattered. Catcher Darrell Johnson gave him the most trouble, claiming two doubles and a single, and first baseman Joe Lutz pounded a tremendous 400-foot homer with two out in the ninth. But that wasn't enough to stop Blake from recording his seventh win against three setbacks.

Blake marked an important anniversary. It was just nine years ago yesterday that a tank ran over his leg and severely crushed it during a landing of the U.S. marines in the Phillipines.

At that time, it was extremely doubtful he ever would walk again, let alone develop into a fine pitcher.

Richmond starter Bob Zieser claimed eight strikeout victims, including Bobby Wilson, Hector Rodrigues and Sam Jethroe twice each.

Footnotes—Top defensive play of the night for the Leafs was a perfect-strike throw by Lew Morton which cut down Eddie Kasko trying to go from first to third on Ken Chapman's single.

Connie Johnson, boasting five straight wins, will shoot for his eighth win tonight, with lefty Frank Fanovich the likely starter for the visitors.

## LEAF AVERAGES

Howard, .344; B. Wilson, .341; DeMars, .327; Babe, .312; Morton, .304; Jethroe, .298; Rodriguez, .288; Stevens, .274; A. Wilson, .247; Goliat, .238; Griffin, .214.



ELSTON HOWARD

# KEN ROSEWALL BEATS TOP SEEDED TRABERT

# Jack Guest, Jr., Likely Starter

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# Howard Becomes Choosey---Average Soars

By NEIL MacCARL

A determined effort to pass up bad pitches has been responsible for Elston Howard's latest batting surge. The Maple Leafs' catcher-turned-outfielder ran his hitting streak to 11 consecutive games and counted seven hits in nine times at bat over the week-end, as the Leafs won two out of three from the tail-end Ottawa Athletics and also picked up credit for another win by completing a suspended game on Saturday night.

The Leafs and A's traded shutouts yesterday as lefty Vic Lombardi pitched a four-hitter for a 3-0 decision in the Sabbath short game, after Ottawa's Art Ditmar held the Leafs to six hits for a 4-0 win in the opener.

Frank Barnes struck out 10 and coasted to an 11-4 Leaf win Saturday night. Lombardi got credit for a 3-2 win in the suspended game of June 20, when Jack Crimian checked the A's.

"I guess I was just too anxious," Howard said in explaining why he had been going for bad pitches. "I would come up with somebody on base, and I wanted to drive him in, but the pitcher wouldn't give me anything good to hit."

In a span of approximately six weeks, Howard drew only two walks, and his batting average dropped to .335 (that's a slump?) but since he has been making opposing pitchers throw the ball over the plate, he has counted 18 hits in his last 39 times at bat, and his average has jumped up to .360. Not only is he leading the league in runs batted in, with 74, but he is once again a leading contender for batting honors.

The Leafs had only six hits in yesterday's opener, as Ditmar stopped them cold, but even so, Howard managed two singles, and it took a great play Ottawa shortstop Hector Lopez to rob him of another hit in the ninth and turn it into a game-ending double play.

Eddie Blake gave up nine hits, including solo homers by Lopez and Bill Stewart, and was charged with his sixth loss, against eight wins.

In the nightcap, Howard had a pair of singles, and drove in the Leafs' second run to provide some extra insurance for Lombardi. The Leafs' little lefty pitched a masterful game, as he walked only one man. He had a good curve ball, and excellent control. The A's threw a complete righthand hitting lineup at Lombardi, but he held them to four hits, including two of the infield variety.

Barnes posted his third straight win Saturday night, and boosted his season strikeout total to 80, tops for the Leafs. Only Sam Suplizio, the A's centre fielder caused him any real trouble. Suplizio belted two solo homers.

Switch-hitting Sam Jethroe clouted his second homer of the year, batting right handed, which boosted his season output to a dozen. He also had a triple, and batted in four runs.

**Footnotes** — Leafs topped the 200,000 mark in attendance yesterday with a 9,093 turnout. With league president Frank Shaughnessy here, the Leafs and A's completed their twin bill more than one hour ahead of the curfew hour.

Infielder Bill DeMars returned from a visit to Dr. George Bennett in Baltimore, with the sad news that he probably will be out for the season. He has a calcium spur on his left elbow, as the result of being hit by a pitched ball thrown by Buffalo's Paul Foytack.

Leaf manager Luke Sewell was fined by Shaughnessy as an aftermath of Sewell's ejection from the game a week ago yesterday in Havana. The amount has not been revealed.

Leafs open a five-game set with Buffalo tonight, starting off with the completion of the suspended game of June 13, in which the score is tied 4-4, with the Leafs batting in the bottom of the sixth.

# Main Has New Worry---Mexico's Air

# QUEEN'S HORSE WINS U.K.'S RICHEST RACE IS RETIRED TO STUD

London, July 19—(CP)—Aureole, the biggest money-winning thoroughbred British royalty ever owned, has run his last race. The Queen's golden colt now goes into honorable retirement.

**At Peak of Career**

He does so at the peak of his career, having stamped himself the best horse in Europe with an unforgettable victory in Saturday's King George VI and Queen Elizabeth stakes at Ascot race course. This is the richest horse race in the United Kingdom, worth £23,000 to the winner.

Aureole triumphed in a field of 17 top performers from Eng-

## LEAF AVERAGES

**Kress, .400; Howard, .360; DeMars, .317; Babe, .309; Morton, .306; Jethroe, .301; Stevens, .282; Rodrigues, .280; Griffin, .263; A. Wilson, .243; Goliat, .238.**

Madame Suzy Volterra, was three-quarters of a length behind Aureole with Sir Percy Loraine's

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# HOWARD 'DECELERATES' FAST-WORKING BARNES HITS 3-RUN HOMER, TOO

By NEIL MacCARL
Star Staff Correspondent

Montreal, Aug. 6—Frank Barnes, the Maple Leafs' Negro fireballer, is just the opposite to most of the pitchers in the International league. Most of them need to be speeded up as a means of eliminating three-hour ball games. But one of Barnes' problems has been slowing down. No sooner does the catcher return the ball to him, than he is throwing it again.

**Howard Sets Pace**

Because of Barnes' tendency to work too fast, he has also had the problem of trying to pace himself so that he could last the distance. But last night catcher Elston Howard "decelerated" Barnes so that he was able to forget about pacing himself, and the result was a neat seven-hitter as the Leafs belted the Montreal Royals 10-1. Parlayed with Rochester's doubleheader defeat in Ottawa, it widened the Leafs' first-place margin to 2½ games.

"I just kept throwing my fast ball," Barnes said afterward. "I didn't worry about pacing myself, I just kept throwing."

Manager Luke Sewell was pleased by Barnes' performance. "If he just worries about getting the other side out one inning at a time, he'll be a lot better off," Sewell said. "We've got a good bullpen, to pick him up if he runs into trouble," he added.

Barnes was given a tidy 4-0 margin before he even threw a pitch. Leadoff man Loren Babe clouted his 14th homer of the year off Ed Roebuck to open the game, and two errors, two hits and a walk helped the Leafs count three more. By the time Roebuck departed in the eighth, he walked 10 men, and had given up an even dozen hits for all of the Leafs' 10 runs.

**Sam Steals Home**

Sam Jethroe stole home in the sixth, for his 19th stolen

## Leaf Box Score

| Toronto— | AB | R | H | O | A |
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| Babe, 3b | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Rodrigues, ss | 4 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| Jethroe, cf | 4 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Stevens, 1b | 5 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 0 |
| Enos, lf | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Morton, rf | 4 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Howard, c | 3 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 0 |
| Golliat, 2b | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Kerr, 2b | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| Barnes, p | 4 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 0 |
| Totals | 38 | 10 | 12 | 27 | 5 |

| Montreal— | AB | R | H | O | A |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Fernandez, ss | 4 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Young, 1b | 4 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 1 |
| C. Thompson, c | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| Nelson, 1b | 4 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 0 |
| Wilson, 3b | 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| O. Thompson, cf | 4 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Whitman, rf | 4 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Cassini, lf | 4 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Roebuck, p | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Hood, p | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| aClendenon | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 34 | 1 | 7 | 27 | 14 |

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Errors — Nelson, Wilson, Roebuck. Babe. Runs batted in—Babe, Morton 2, Howard 4, Stevens, Nelson. Two-base hits — Rodrigues, Nelson, Whitman. Home runs — Babe, Howard. Stolen base—Jethroe. Sacrifice hunt—Barnes. Sacrifice fly—Stevens. Double play—Rodrigues and Stevens. Left on bases—Toronto 13, Montreal 8. Bases on balls — Off Roebuck 10, Barnes 2. Strikeouts—By Roebuck 2, Barnes 4. Hits—Off Roebuck 12 in 7⅔ innings; Hood, 0 in 1⅓. Runs and earned runs—Off Roebuck, 10 and 6; Hood, 0 and 0; Barnes, 1 and 0. Wild pitch — Barnes. Winning pitcher—Barnes (2-5). Losing pitcher — Roebuck (11-11). Umpires — Biron, Tabet, Tabacchi. Time—2:04. Attendance—573.

innings later Montreal manager Max Macon got the gate using profane language from the Mont-

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# NOTE TO YANKS' CASEY STENGEL HOWARD CAN HIT BIG LEAGUERS

By JIM PROUDFOOT

Those who concern themselves with the fate of the Toronto baseball club have maintained all season that the Leafs' hitting is of major league calibre. They got considerable support for that contention last night at Maple Leaf stadium when the locals made short work of the offerings of all but three of the finest pitchers the onrushing Milwaukee Braves had to offer.

The three the Leafs didn't pick on happened to be the Tribe's best. Gene Conley had worked the day before, Jim Wilson is scheduled to pitch tonight against St. Louis Cardinals and Warren Spahn set the Leafs down with despatch in the inning he tossed last night. But Lew Burdette, Ernie Johnson, Dave Jolly, Dave Koslo, Bob Buhl and Joe Jay were rounded to a 13-hit pulp and the Braves had to work hard in the late stages to pull out a 4-4 draw, with two extra innings producing no conclusion.

Elston Howard, for one, demonstrated that he can hit big league pitching. He hit three for three before being replaced by Don Griffin and one of the three was a two-run drive off the wall in right centre during the Leafs' four-run feast on the servings of Ernie Johnson in the third inning. Burdette and Koslo were his other victims.

Sam Jethroe brought in two in that inning, as well, with a single. The six-hit, four-run burst ended with two on base.

The 10,143 fans who showed up to pour some $7,500 into the Canadian Cancer society treasury, saw all the big Brave names as Manager Charley Grimm started his first team and left it in for two complete bat-arounds before sending in the substitutes.

Oddly enough, it was those second-stringers who got the Braves back into the game. They got to Eddie Blake in the sixth, as Jim Pendleton followed Dave Koslo's single with a home run over the left field fence and Sibby Sisti tripled in another. They tied it in the seventh.



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again off Blake, when Jack Dittmer scored Roy Smalley, who had doubled.

Harry Schaeffer didn't give up a run in the four innings he pitched after succeeding starter Jack Crimian. Ray Shore went the last two and struck out four men.

Notes: Fielding stars were the shortstops, Hector Rodrigues for the Leafs and Johnny Logan and Roy Smalley for the visitors. . . . Pendleton drew a cheer in the sixth with a fine running catch on Sam Jethroe's blast. . . . Eddie Mathews walked and hit a long fly in two tries. . . . Charley White, former Maple Leaf player, replaced Mathews at third after the fourth inning. . . . Tonight's program has the Leafs completing their suspended game of Aug. 1 with Montreal Royals. Royals have seven runs in with two on and one out in the sixth inning and Harry Schaeffer will pitch. The score is 8-1. After they finish that, Al Schacht will entertain before Willie Powell faces the Royals in a regular game.

# GUY DUROCHER IS WAITING FOR JUNIOR NET OPPONENT

Ottawa, Aug. 17—(CP)—John Swann of Vancouver and Smith Chapman of Montreal had one-third of a semi-final match to play today as the Canadian Junior Tennis tournament went into its fifth day.

Swann and Chapman were tied 4-4 in games at the end of the third set of the junior men's closed singles yesterday when rain chased them from the court. Swann had won the first set of the best-of-three-sets match 6-2 and Chapman the next one 9-7.

The winner of the final set meets Guy Durocher of Sherbrooke, Que., in the final for the men's title. The juvenile girls'

## JEAN SKINNER PACES STRATFORD VICTORY

Woodstock, Aug. 17 — Behind the seven-hit pitching of Gizelle Raymer, Stratford Krechlers clobbered Woodstock Queens, 14-4, to take the first game of the playdowns last night.

The Kreehler ladies tagged 17 hits off the slants of Pitcher Helen McCallum. Jean Skinner smashing out three hits in four tries. Barb Dale was the big gun for the Queens with two hits.

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# HOWARD IS IN RUNNING FOR 4 LEAGUE TITLES WING SERIES BIG TEST

By NEIL MacCARL

A batting tip from teammate Lew Morton has put Elston Howard back on the track toward a possible quadruple crown of individual honors in the International league, namely, the batting title, the runs-batted-in championship, the most valuable player award, and all-star catcher.

**Results Came Quickly**

Since Morton pointed out a flaw in Howard's stance following last Saturday night's game against Havana, Howard ripped off five hits in seven tries on Sunday against the Cubans, had three for three in the exhibition game with Milwaukee, and three for eight in the two games with Montreal, giving him eight for 15 without counting the exhibition game.

"I was holding the bat like this instead of like this," Howard said, illustrating his fault. He indicated he had been letting the head of the bat droop, giving the appearance that he had it wrapped around his neck, instead of holding it up and back as he normally does.

Regardless of whether Howard achieves any of the quadruple crowns, his big bat will undoubtedly put him in select company in the International league record book. Elston currently is leading in the batting race with a .350 mark, and the Leafs have not had a batting leader since

## LAYNE SPARKLES AS LIONS WIN 17-14

Philadelphia, Aug. 20 — The champion Detroit Lions, sparked by the aerial artistry of Bobby Layne, defeated the Philadelphia Eagles, 17-14, in the annual Inquirer charities gridiron classic before 45,600 last night at Municipal stadium.

The former Texas great was in mid-season form as he tossed two touchdown passes and completed 11 of 25 attempts. He was awarded a trophy as the game's outstanding player.

## KESSELRING HAS 67 TIES FOR 2ND SPOT

Fort Wayne, Ind., Aug. 20—

# So Near and Yet So Far . . . Luke's Leafs Look Toward Stadium to Wrap Up Bunting



# la---Power, Pitching---As Leafs Sew Up Flag

By NEIL MacCARL

e pennant script was planned ectly for the Maple Leafs, t down to the last detail, and wonderful climax was reach- long about 4.17 p.m. yester-

heir week-end wins in hester over the defending npion Red Wings set the e. Then Ottawa Athletics ght them even closer by ing the Royals in Montreal. the home run punch which been the Leaf's most potent pon all season provided the er that carried them to a win over the Wings in the ner of yesterday's double bill turned the show into a nant party for the 15,027 or Day customers.

was especially fitting that on Howard and Connie John- should emerge as the heroes he win that clinched the flag. use Howard's hitting and nson's pitching have been big ors in the Leaf success story. nd the Leafs won the "big" e just the way they won the nant — by coming from be- . They were trailing 2-0 after four innings and Memo Luna, the little Mexican left-hander, had limited them to one hit, although it took a circus catch by Bill Virdon in centre field to rob Howard of another. Then catcher Don Griffin broke the spell when he belted his second homer of the season, with two out in the fifth, and Howard hammered his 21st homer after Hector Rodriguez singled in the sixth, for the winning margin.

The Leafs tried to widen their lead in the seventh, when lefty Niles Jordan relieved for the Wings. He departed after singles by Mike Goliat and Griffin, but another sensational catch, this time by Tom Burgess, enabled Tony Jacobs to stop the Leafs.

That left it strictly up to Johnson, and he was equal to the task. The Wings threatened in the eighth when Burgess and Lou Ortiz singled with two out, but Walt Derucki popped up. Then came the nervous ninth and Johnson retired catcher Nels Burbrink and pinch-hitter Pete Castiglione.

Only one "out" away from the pennant, shortstop Al Richter singled, and manager Harry Walker, playing left field for the Wings, worked a walk. Manager Luke Sewell strode to the mound to talk with Johnson, but he left Connie in and when Tom Alston grounded to Mike Goliat, the pennant was in the bag.

It was the 17th win of the season for Johnson, and his 10th victory in 12 decisions since mid-July.

The second game was strictly an anti-climax as Jack Fazholz, the Wing's good right-hander, became the league's top winner, posting a 4-1 decision for his 18th win of the year.

Howard's homer in the first game was the 134th of the season for the Leafs, and with five games to go, they still have a chance to shatter the all-time team record of 140 set by the '49 Leafs.

Leafs won a $10,000 bonus from the league, along with the pennant. Yesterday's win, their 93rd, is also a team record. Best previous mark in a 154-game schedule was 92 wins by the '43 Leafs, the last previous pennant-winner.

Manager Luke Sewell likely will use infielders Buddy Kerr and Bill DeMars in the remaining games, in order to give Hector Rodriguez and Loren Babe a well-deserved rest. . . Right-hander Eddie Blake survived a pair of first-inning homers by Tom Alston and Tom Burgess to go all the way for his fifth straight win, by a 6-5 count, in Rochester Sunday. Leafs used six pitchers in Saturday night's 5-4 win, with lefty Harry Schaeffer getting the decision. Lew Morton celebrated his 34th birthday by belting his 10th homer of the year.



HOWARD GETS ROUSING WELCOME



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## A CATCHER TALKS ABOUT A CATCHER

"John Gibson was the greatest catcher — and ballplayer — I ever saw." And if that old saying "it takes one to know one" holds any water, the above statement is fact. Because it's made by none other than one of the best catchers in the business today, Roy Campanella, in Sports magazine.

Roy met Josh (who died in 1947) in 1937 when he broke in with the Baltimore Elite Giants. By that time Josh was already a legendary figure in the Negro leagues. Lots of stories have come down to us about Josh's amazing hitting prowess and some of them are a trifle Bunyanesque. But if there are any doubts that Josh was just about the greatest batter that ever ran the bases, Roy disperses them in his article for Sport.

"Josh hit home runs in every major-league park he ever played in," says Roy, "and in almost all of them he hit balls up into places other hitters never even knew were there. He was the 'righthanded Babe Ruth'

# Most Valuable and Most Popular



**Toronto Maple Leaf's Manager, Luke Sewell and players Elston Howard (left) most valuable player in International League and Sam Jethroe (right) voted most popular member of Maple Leafs, admire their new quiet de luxe portable typewriters presented to them by the Royal Typewriter Company Limited in recognition of their efforts in the Maple Leafs Victory March to the International League pennant. Gerry Snider, Royal Typewriter Company's General Sales Manager is shown making the presentation at Maple Leaf Stadium.**

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# *Leafs Who Put Toronto at Top of Tree*



**A THREE-YEAR EFFORT** by Jack Kent Cooke to give Toronto a pennant winner was climaxed with success when his Maple Leafs, managed by Luke Sewell, clinched the International League flag early this month. Cooke, a publisher and radio station owner, bought the club in July, 1951, but had been unable to produce better than a fourth-place team until he brought Sewell back into the game as manager of the Leafs this year.

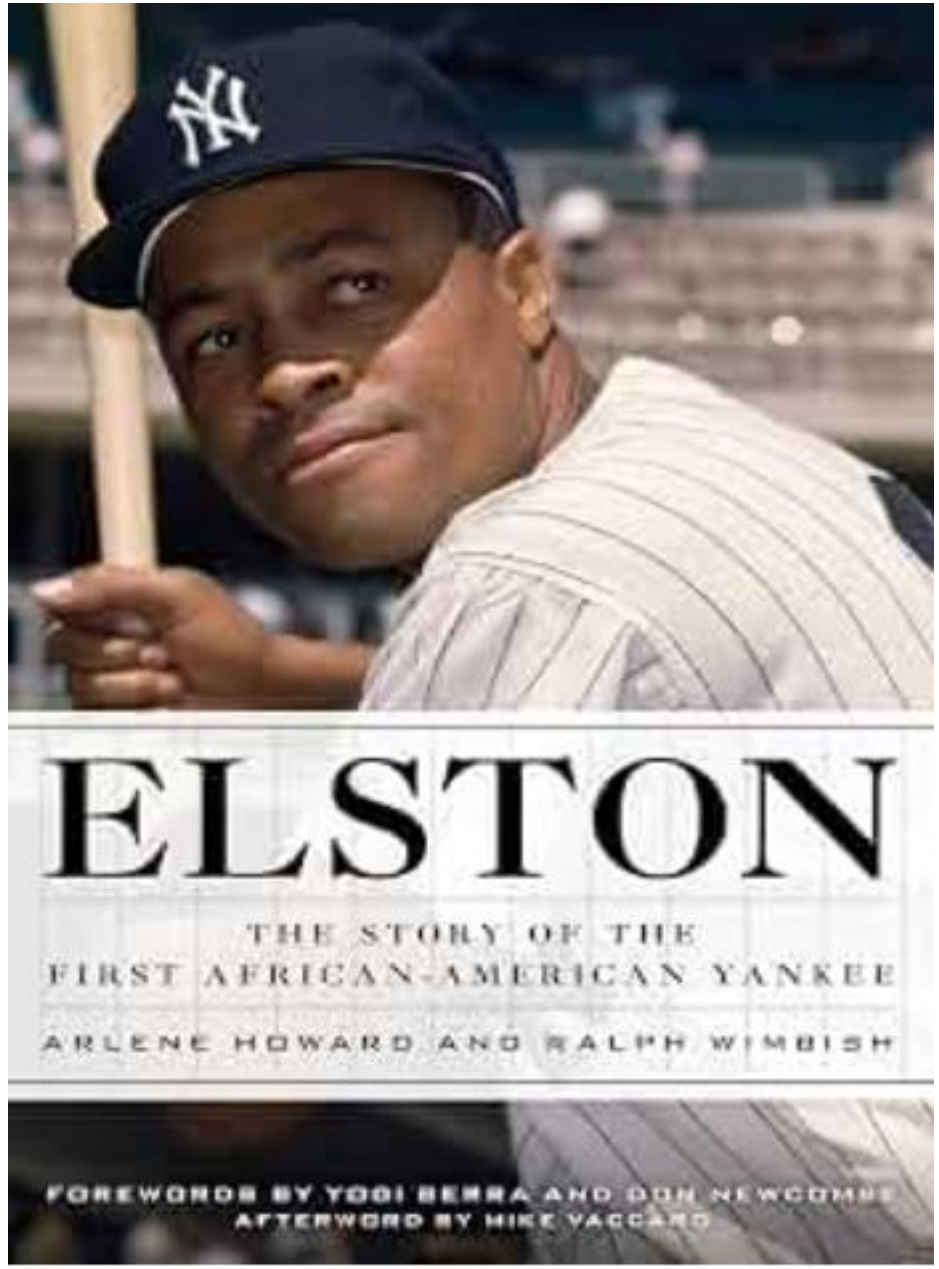
Members of the Toronto team included: Left to right, front row—Vic Lombardi, Bill DeMars, Don Griffin, Bruno Betzel, coach; Luke Sewell, manager; Hector Rodriguez, Loren Babe, Ed Blake and Sam Jethroe; second row—Bill Smith, trainer; Ed Stevens, Jack Crimian, Frank Barnes, Arnie Landeck, Harry Schaeffer, Lew Morton, Rudy Minarcin and Mike Goliat; back row—Archie Wilson, Elston Howard, Ray Shore, Buddy Kerr, Bob Wiesler, Connie Johnson, Fred Hahn and Charlie Kress.

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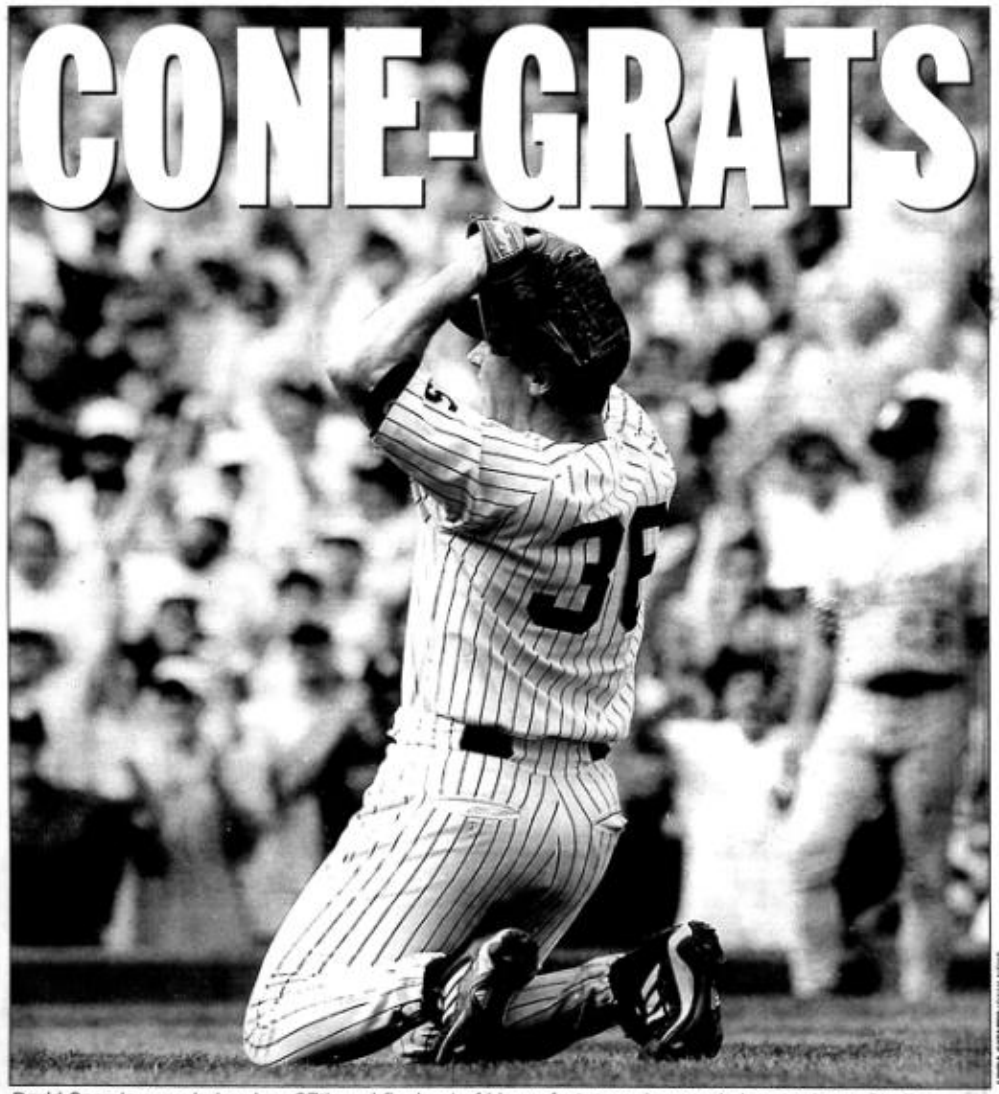
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# CONE-GRATS



David Cone is overwhelmed as 27th and final out of his perfect game is recorded yesterday at Stadium. Cone, with Don Larsen in attendance on Yogi Berra Day, becomes third Yankee to achieve feat.

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