Baseball With the Leafs In the South

PITCHING STAFF WOFULLY WEAK

Leafs in Good Physical Shape, But Must Unearth Some Heavers.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., April 8.—(Can. Press.)—The Leafs came near losing the services of Tim Jordan. On the way to the game on Saturday at Texarkana, the big firstbaseman had a miraculous escape from serious injury, together with Fisher. They were nearing the grounds in a street car when a hard hit ball, driven with all the force that an urchin in a nearby field could put behind the bat, crashed thru the window, throwing a shower of glass in Jordan's face. Several pieces struck him over, under and above the eyes, but he escaped without injury. The players who witnessed the occurrence marveled that he could have escaped unscathed. Fisher, who was sitting next to him, also was struck by the flying glass, but like Jordan was not hurt.

Schneider, the new semi-pro New York firstbaseman, who reported here, looks like the real goods, and will make a worthy substitute for Jordan should anything happen the latter. Like the regular corner guardian he hits left-handed and throws with his left on a line. He fields brilliantly, if one can judge by his work in practice here, and shapes up like a man with great promise at the bat. While he was working he seemed to ginger up the whole infield, and they worked fast and well with him at the first bag. President McCaffery wants him for his Canadian League team, but if his work so far is any indication, the youngster will not stay there very long. He is a big fellow, fast on his feet and apparently a ball player all over.

The most favorable weather conditions have continued to follow the Toronto team up to this writing since leaving Marlin, and they are growing better every day, so far as physical condition is concerned.

Fight Shy of the "Bushers."

The workouts, too, against the Texas League clubs at Waco and Dallas, and the T. and O. League representatives at Texarkana have been of inestimable benefit, and the squad are facing the pitchers with more confidence. A spring training trip thru the "bushes" is never remarkable for hitting outbreaks, and this trip so far has been no exception. The players, particularly the veterans, fight shy of the plate and show no tendency to crowd it as in the league season. They seem to fear the wildness of the opposing pitcher, and consequently give him all possible room, avoiding as far as possible all chance of injury. Most of the boys they face are trying out for their positions, and in their anxiety to make good have little consideration for the anatomy of the man at the bat. So the batter is wary and gives the pitchers lots of space. As a result they are usually pulling away from the plate when the ball is served up. Result, poor hitting averages thru the bushes.

As the trip progresses the need for new and better pitching material becomes more and more apparent. There are only a couple of hurlers so far who seem to have earned a place on the Leafs' regular staff, and one of these is probably Alex. Graham, the Toronto boy. Bill Kelly, who was receiving for him at Dallas, declared afterward that it was a pleasure to work with the Don Valley League graduate, and expressed the opinion that he would make good, an opinion that is also shared by Manager Kelley, who thinks the lad will attain to the honor of a place on the team. Schwab, Kirley, Bradshaw and perhaps Sullivan will go to the Canadian League, while Gaw must show more than he has so far to continue on the pay roll, tho Manager Kelley still believes that he is going to be the most reliable man of his staff in the cold weather games in the early part of the season.

Ritter Is Cool.

Ritter, the big boy from the Giants, has been hit with some frequency each time out, but one following his work is impressed with the cool way he conducts himself in the pinches. He has a couple of minor weaknesses of delivery that can be easily overcome and he should develop into a winning pitcher for the Toronto club. Herbert is slowly regaining his health, and within a few days will likely be ready to go in and do his share on the training trip. Weakness, due to his prolonged indisposition, is his chief trouble now, but he was out for the first time Sunday in uniform, and had both "stuff" and speed. He has every appearance of developing into a very valuable man for the Kelley clan. Castleton is a mystery as yet. His arm is always bothering him, tho he says that he will soon be ready to go the route. He declares that he was never handicapped in this manner before, and he appears to be worrying greatly over his predicament. Naturally Kelley is worrying over his case, and is not the most optimistic man in the world when discussing Castleton and Castleton's prospects.

With his pitching staff thus shot to pieces, he is letting no grass grow under his feet, but is doing everything possible to plug up the wide going holes. Chicago, New York, St. Louis Cardinals and other clubs have been flagged for assistance, and all have been prolific in promises. He cannot go into the league season with his staff as at present and hope to win many games, unless he catches the other teams out of condition. Physically his club will be perhaps further advanced than any other team in the league, particularly if the present weather keeps up, and he should get away to a good running start, but he will have to strengthen his pitching staff, and no one realizes this fact better than the astute manager himself.

In Good Physical Condition.

Otherwise the team looks very promising. The infield continues to improve, and with Schneider on hand there is less fear of the first base position should Jordan go wrong. The big fellow at present is in better condition than for many years at this period of the year, and he is showing it in his every action. He was a very disappointed man leaving Texarkana. He did not know until Sunday that it was possible to knock a ball from Texas into the next state from Maxwell Park, and he tried his best to perform the feat. That he nearly succeeded was some consolation, but still he did not want any of the other players to have anything on him in this respect, and it is a question whether he ever tried anything harder than to duplicate O'Hara's feat. His hit on Sunday smashed up against the boards of the right field fence that marks the Arkansas line, but missed going over by a few short inches. It was a longer hit than O'Hara's, but the ball did not carry the horseshoes that went with Bill's, the ball striking a sloping scantling and bounding over the fence for the hit that entitled the Toronto boy to a circuit trip.

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CANUCK LEAGUERS WITH ATHLETICS

McAvoy and Boardman Win Regular Jobs—Baseball News and Gossip.

Connie Mack is getting ready to unload his "rookies," and the fans are busy figuring where the ax will fall. Two Canadian Leaguers are now with the Mack men, and both are making good. McAvoy, the catcher, with Berlin last year, and who was drafted by the Athletics, will be carried. Mack has made the statement that McAvoy is one of the best young backstops that it has been his good-fortune to see, and he will be carried all season. McAvoy caught something like twenty games for the Athletics in the latter part of last season, and made good with a vengeance.

The second Canuck Leaguer with the world champions is Boardman, who did good box work for Guelph in 1912. The correspondents with the Athletics in the south speak well of his work, and he will likely be carried. Boardman has a nice change of pace and is rapidly learning all the big league tricks.

Carruthers and Orr, two promising infielders, are just hardly up to the big league pitch and Connie Mack has asked waivers on them. It is not known who will get these two good youngsters but it is thought that two International League clubs are after them.

President Lichtenhein of the Montreal Baseball Club forwarded to President Barrow of the International League and Secretary Heydler of the National Commission the names of fifteen Royal ballplayers who have been suspended. Nearly all of the players are known to have joined the Federal League. But Almeida, Mason and Averett are suspended only because they have failed to sign contracts. It is not known whether or not they have jumped to the outlaw organization altho it is thought they have.

The Royals sustained the most severe blow of any club in minor league baseball from the Federals. The list forwarded for suspension is as follows:

Pitchers Mullen, Herbert, Averett, Finlay, Smith and Mason.
Infielders Walsh, Savage, Hugh Miller, Griggs, Lennox, Esmond and Almeida.
Outfielders Hanford and Duncan.

STANLEY GUN CLUB TOURNAMENT.

On Good Friday the Stanley Gun Club of Toronto will hold on their grounds at the foot of Saulter street an all-day shoot, commencing at ten o'clock sharp. With the exception of the club's championship, the events are open to all who like to come. There will be ten open events, Rose and high gun systems, but any who so wish can shoot for targets only. A merchandise event will be run all day over the tower trap for prizes. Take an East King street car to Saulter street, and walk south to the gun club on the waterfront. Lunch will be provided.

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RIVERSIDE BOXERS ENTERED AT BOSTON

BOSTON, April 8.—Sectional titleholders from various parts of the United States and Canada have been entered for the national amateur boxing championships, which will be held here on April 17 and 18. Several of the present champions are expected to defend their honors, but others have become professionals since the last tournament. Toronto, St. John, N.B., New Orleans, Cleveland, St. Louis and New York are among the cities represented in the entries already received. The Toronto entries are from the Riverside Club.

Ante-Season Baseball

At Brooklyn—Two runs behind at the end of the seventh, the Brooklyns won in the last two innings against the Philadelphia Americans yesterday, scoring twice in the eighth and once in the ninth. The score was 3 to 2. The hitting thruout was light, the Athletics getting their lead by ragged fielding by the locals. The score:

	R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia	0	3	0
Brooklyn	3	3	6

Batteries—Bush, Durning and Schang; Ragan, Allen, Pfeffer and Fischer.

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NOW IT IS COLD BREEZES IN SOUTH

No Game at Memphis—Herbert Takes Turn for Worse—Goulait Still a No-Account.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., April 8.—(Can. Press.)—The cold spell which prevented the clash between Memphis and Toronto today is one of the most severe in years, and the weather man says it is just beginning. Harry Bemis has been troubled with a bad arm since coming here, and declares he may not be able to play this season. He is anxious to go to San Antonio. Despite the cold snap the Leafs had a two-hour workout, laboring most of the time in big coats.

Pitcher Goulait, who came here to be made over into an outfielder, shows little promise in that direction and will be kept on the pitching staff. Fisher's arm is still a trifle sore, and he is attempting to do little more than lob them over. Herbert's illness has developed a rather alarming turn, and he may be out of the game until the season is well under way. The weeding out process will likely be started at Nashville.

Kirly, Schwab, Bradshaw, Killelea, Joe O'Hara, and probably Schultz, will be shipped home from there. Kelley was anxious to stay here in preference to making the Nashville jump. The grounds are in good shape and two games were offered the Leafs for Friday and Saturday.

Yesterday it was rain that forced the teams to call off the set-to. Today the cold, icy blasts of a returning winter gave Manager Finn of the local Southern Leaguers good and sufficient cause to hang out the nothing doing sign. The decision not to stage the bout was arrived at just before starting time, after the loyal fans had commenced to gather, fussed up like Arctic explorers with heavy wraps and gas laps.

The probabilities tonight are for a continuance of the cold spell. The team may be forced to stay here for the remainder of the week instead of proceeding to Nashville, where three games are scheduled on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. From advices received it appears that the high waters now prevailing thruout the south have caused the rivers nearby to overflow on the ball grounds, which are reported to be more fit for water polo than baseball. The invasion of the state capital will be called off unless more reassuring advices are forthcoming before the morning.

Heustis Champion Gymnast at Varsity

The annual gymnastic competition was completed yesterday at the university, when splendid results were attained. Five of the seven gymnasts scored over 75 per cent. of the 750 points. Doug. Heustis, the winner, is a first-year S.P.S. student, and he, with H. R. Smith, the second high man, earn their colors. The septet scored points as follows:

	Points.
D. Heustis, S.P.S.	646
H. R. Smith, Med.	616
A. Mendizabel, S.P.S.	592
A. M. Arnott, Vic.	590½
A. Elliott, Med.	581½
F. R. Gillrie, Med.	513
J. Dibbee, S.P.S.	484

Judges: Prof. Williams, Dr. Barton, and C. Scott.

Never before was there so much hustle and bustle thruout the Canadian Baseball League circuit. With the opening of the championship race just one month off, all the clubs are on their toes, seeking the best men available, either in trade or by purchase. The training camps open next week and hundreds of candidates will try out for places. Just now Erie and London look the most dangerous, but Peterboro will make them all step some, and "Rube" Deneau may change things about at Brantford. The Toronto youngsters will, of course, be a factor, as they will be well protected thru having first call on the surplus material from the International Leafs.

The St. Thomas club has offered Pitcher Ray Clements in trade. They tried to get Louie Bierbauer, the first-sacker of the London club, but London turned it down, tho it is still whispered that Bierbauer will not be with London when the flag falls. Erie has offered to trade a firstbaseman for a pitcher. Gygill, who was transferred to Erie by the St. Joseph's club of the Western League, will surely hold down the initial cushion for the Yankees, and Manager Smith has offered to give St. Thomas Owen Harris, a first-sacker from Baltimore, in exchange for Clements. The latter wishes to get away from St. Thomas. Billy Baker, the London boy who pitched for the Saints last year, is still a holdout, but will eventually sign up.

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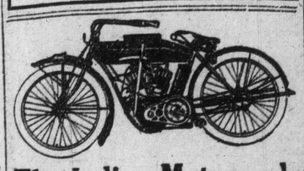

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