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Baseball Lacrosse

SASKATOON FRANCHISE IS ON THE MARKET---PLAYERS GO OUT ON STRIKE

Bronks Give Wainwright Beautiful Support and Hit in the Pinches

In Only Two Innings Did More Than Three Bronchos Face Red Sox Twirler, But In Each of These Two the Locals Scored Two Runs; Score Was 4 to 1

Western Canada League.

Saskatoon	31	7	.816
Calgary	20	15	.571
Moose Jaw	21	18	.538
Medicine Hat	16	22	.421
Edmonton	11	20	.355
Regina	11	28	.282

PLAYING errorless ball behind Lefty Wainwright the Bronks last night annexed their second game of the Regina series by the score of 4 to 1. It was the sensational fielding stunts pulled off by the local pennant chasers which decided the contest in their favor. In the pitching department Matz on the mound for the visitors, had the better of the argument, and in the hitting department as well the Red Sox excelled, but when it came to whirlwind support the Bronks had it on their opponents by a large margin. Time after time blows which looked like sure hits were pulled out of the azure and scooped off the ground. It was but a continuation of the fine work that the Broncho fielders have been doing ever since their return to their home pasture. Every player on the team seemed to be imbued with the spirit of victory and unless the league comes to an untimely end because of the Saskatoon-Gray dispute, the Bronks are sure to give the leaders a run for their money, provided, of course that they continue to show the pep and fighting spirit that they have exhibited thus far this week.

Two Fat Innings for Bronks

The victory was a remarkable one in that in only two innings did more than three Calgary batsmen face the Regina twirler. But in each of these two innings the Bronks hit consistently and secured two runs. Th efruitful innings were the fourth and the seventh. In every other period the Bronks went down in "one, two ,thre" order either being thrown or caught out before reaching first or caught off the bases in the act of stealing.

Matz held the Bronks hitless until the fourth. In fact, not until this round did the locals get a man as far as first base. But in this inning Vivian led off with a single, was sacrificed to second by O'Brien and scored when Heinie Krueger led Larry Piper's hot drive slip between his legs. Larry later scored from second when Jimmy Flanagan came across with a timely single.

This score put the Bronks in the lead and was plenty to win the game. But in the seventh a couple more were annexed just for good measure. These two started after the first two men up had been retired. Hollis got a nice clean single into right field, and then proceeded to pilfer the second pillow, which stunt he accomplished by means of a nice slide. Rothfus then produced a single which scored Hollis. Julie Streib then came up and pounded out the Bronks only extra base hit of the day, a three bagger to right. This scored Meyers, who had taken Rothfus' place at first, Charlie not being quite recovered from his sprained ankle.

This was all the scoring done by the Bronks during th ecourse of the fracas.

In spite of the seven hits secured by the visitors, they would have been let down without a run had it not been for a battery error, a wild pitch by Wainwright. This mistake does not appear in the regular error column. It happened in the third inning. Burke led off with a double, Matz struck out and Smith grounded out to first, while Burke went down to third. Then came the wild heave which saved Regina from a shut out.

The box score:

Regina—	A.B.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Smith, c.f.	3	0	1	0	0	0
Krueger, r.f.	3	0	1	2	3	1
Hill, 1b	4	0	1	0	0	0
Almquist, 1b	4	0	2	11	0	0
Johnson, 3b	4	0	0	0	0	0
Gleason, l.f.	4	0	1	1	0	0
Mackin, 2b	3	0	0	3	1	0
Burke, c.	3	1	1	7	2	0
Matz, p.	3	0	0	0	7	0
Totals	31	1	7	24	13	1

Calgary—	A.B.	R.	H.	D.	A.	E.
Vivian, 2b	4	1	1	2	5	0
O'Brien, 3b	2	0	0	1	3	0
Piper, c.f.	4	1	1	6	1	0
Roche, c.	3	0	0	1	2	0
Flanagan, r.f.	3	0	1	1	0	0
Hollis, s.s.	3	1	1	1	4	0
Rothfus, l.f.	3	0	1	1	0	0
Streib, 1b	3	0	1	14	1	0
Wainwright, p	2	0	0	0	2	0
Meyers	0	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	28	4	6	27	18	0

Meyers ran for Rothfus in 7th.

By innings—

Regina	001 000 000—1
Calgary	000 200 20x—4

Summary—Stolen bases, Johnson, Piper, Hollis; sacrifice hits, O'Brien; two base hits, Almquist, Burke, Gleason; three base hits, Streib; first base on balls, off Wainwright 1, off Matz 6; left on bases, Calgary 5, Regina 2; struck out, by Wainwright 1; double plays, Piper to Roche to Streib; wild pitch, Wainwright; hit by pitched ball, Smith. Time, 1.30. Umpire, Ward. Attendance, 500.

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CANADIAN BOWLERS MAKE GOOD SHOWING IN ENGLAND

London, June 17—The Canadian bowling team suffered their third defeat today, losing out to the Middlesex bowlers at Wood Green The Middlesex bowlers made a brilliant display, winning 113 to 70.

After luncheon a number of presentations were made, including a pair of prize bowls to McJanet; a sterling silver spoon to Mrs. T. Rennie; five "Jacks" to the five Canadian skips and a copy of Manson's "Complete Bowler" to C. O. Knowles.

The following message was sent to His Majesty King George:

"The Middlesex Bowling association and team of Canadian bowlers desire to convey a homage of respect to your majesty and her majesty the queen and wish your majesty a long and prosperous reign, accompanied by continued blessing and peace."

His majesty replied thanking them for their expressions of loyalty and good wishes.

EDMONTON, June 18.—Saskatoon's forfeited baseball franchise is being offered to North Battleford. This afternoon President Gray wired Mayor Walker of that city asking if the citizens would entertain a proposition for its purchase. There was no baseball here today. Early this afternoon the Saskatoon players submitted a signed statement to President Gray refusing to play further unless Manager Hurley was reinstated and the franchise returned to Saskatoon. A double-header was scheduled, and as the Quakers did not put in an appearance their suspension from organized ball automatically takes place. The president is re-arranging the schedule and is providing that Regina, which is due here on Friday, will be switched to Medicine Hat and Moose Jaw to Calgary. This will mean that the Edmonton players will be idle for some days, but Gray prefers doing this rather than have any of the other teams laid off.

Saskatoon Indignant at President Gray.

Saskatoon, June 18.—J. F. Cairns has wired the members of the Saskatoon team, asking them to go on and play all scheduled games, and to do their best to give the public good ball for their money. He told them that the other clubs in the league, with the exception of the Edmonton club, had done nothing unfair toward the Saskatoon club, and should not be made to suffer for the actions of the president of the league.

The baseball fans of Saskatoon are indignant at President Gray's action, and if money is neededto defend the local club the directors will have all t he backing necessary. It is understood there is amovement on foot to call an indignation meeting of the league controllers to deal with the president'scase.

American Autos in International Affairs.

Amsterdam, Holland, June 18.—The American Automobile Association was represented today at the opening of the Ligue Internationale des Association Touristes Congress which is the first of two important international affairs in which the American organization will take part this summer. Bernard Van H. Schultz is the A.A.A. representative. He is making a 5,000-mile auto tour of Europe.

WHAT PRESIDENT CAIRNS SAYS

Saskatoon, June 17, 1913.

Sam Savage, Calgary, Alta.,

Although I have received nothing from President Gray since May 28, I learn from the press dispatches tonight that he has expelled Manager Hurley from organized ball, and has declared the Saskatoon franchise forfeited to the league. It seems that, because of a personal quarrel which has existed for some time between President Gray and Hurley, the former is endeavoring to wreck this club and spoil a good ball town.

Mr. Gray's contention, I understand, is that we did not reduce to 12 men when ordered to by him two weeks ago. It was absolutely out of the question for us to do so because of crippled players, and Secretary Farrell of the National association wired me May 31 that we were entitled to carry 14 men, which is the most we have had at any time.

We owe nobody anything; all assessments have been paid. We have done our utmost to help along organized ball in Western Canada and have the interests of the league quite as much at heart as President Gray or anyone else. There is no possible reason or excuse for President Gray to declare our franchise forfeited, and we will fight such arbitary, ill-advised and unsportsmanlike action to a finish.

We have instructed "Ducky" Holmes to take charge of the team; will endeavor to jump from Edmonton to Medicine Hat between Thursday's and Friday's games, and we have suggested that Hurley come to Saskatoon pending investigation of his case.

This situation is a serious one for baseball in Saskatoon, and we will greatly appreciate a wire from you immediately on receipt of this, giving your opinion of the matter.

J. F. CAIRNS, President.

WHAT PRESIDENT SAM SAYS

Calgary, June 18, 1913.

Mr. J. F. Cairns, Saskatoon, Sask.,

In connection with your long wire and the Hurley-Gray trouble I have to say that I am not in a position to make a statement, not knowing the facts in connection with the trouble beween your club and Hurley and President Gray, and until such time as I get some definite information, I would not care to make any statement.

We presume that it is all on account of team not living up to the salary limit. We note that you have word from Farrell stating that he authorized you to carry 14 men. This is quite true. You can carry 14 men but in doing so, you must observe the salary limit. President Gray would allow you the same thing if you were within the limit but on account of the board of control passing and adopting bylaws stating that clubs must cut down to 12 men after the first 20 days, this overrules any law that may be laid down by the National association. Your representative agreed to this rule and apparently has not been living up to same.

I might add that our club has only had 12 men since the beginning of the season and has at many times been using only 11 on account of injuries. Our team has been more or less crippled the entire season but we did the best we could under the circumstances to live up to any obligation that we had made to the league.

Our team is the lowest salaried team in the league and we are playing consistent and fairly good ball and there is no reason why the other teams in the league should not have been able to have gotten as good a team together as ours at the same money.

I might add that Hurley has a great faculty of getting together a strong ball team to build up a reputation for himself, not taking into consideration the rest of the league.

If this league is to be made a success, it is necessary for every club to act unitedly in giving it a fair and square deal and not taking advantage of the weaker clubs.

As soon as I have a statement from Mr. Gray in connection with the above case, I will wire or write you further on the subject.

S. S. SAVAGE, President.

PRES. FRANK GRAY PROVES HE IS CHIEF EXECUTIVE IN FACT AS WELL AS IN NAME

(By JOE PRICE)

THE Western Canada Baseball league is undergoing an unique experience—that of having a league president who believes in being president in fact as well as name. For lo! these many years, the chief executive of the league has been a mere figurehead whose principal use was to act as a target for criticism. Heretofore no president, with the possible exception of Fred Johnson, who only acted for a couple of months, has had the nerve to rule with an iron hand and players, club owners and managers have run the league in pretty much any old way that suited their whims. The salary limit has always been a joke as well as every other league statute which was not convenient to fulfil.

President Frank Gray from the first has shown that he intended to enforce discipline. His recent drastic action of suspending the manager of the Saskatoon team and in declaring the franchise forfeited to the league, proves conclusively that he means business.

Must Finish What He Has Started

The action is bound to excite a lot of comment and criticism but if Frank Gray will only finish what he has started, the league will be in better shape for the action, although it is bound to cause a lot of trouble.

It took a great deal of nerve to make such a ruling against the team which was leading the league and which was drawing the biggest crowds of any outfit on the circuit. It will take even greater nerve now for Mr. Gray to go through with the action and investigate every other team on the circuit. His own team will need a lot of investigatmg and one or two others. Nothing has yet been heard as to what Mr. Gray intends to do with the Eskimos and their apparent failure to observe the same rules which Saskatoon violated. But Frank Gray is altogether too wise a man to leave his own outfit go unpunished. That he means business may be judged from a wire which was received by Sam Savage yesterday requesting the local man to wire the number of players Regina had on the pay roll. Regina had 14 men on the bench last night and as a result will doubtless receive a warning at once to cut down.

Calgary Team is O. K.

The Calgary team is practically the only one on the circuit which has lived up to the letter of the law. The same 12 men have been carried from the first and the salaries paid are within $30.00 of the maximum amount. This little sum will not cause any trouble.

President Cairns of the Saskatoon club, wasted a lot of telegraph tolls yesterday in outlining to every club in the circuit his position in the matter. The gist of the whole thing is that Secretary Farrell of the National Commission, has stated that a Class D. team was allowed to carry 14 men.

But although this may be true, the fact remains that at the organization meeting of the league it was decided that no team should carry more than 12 men after the first 20 games of the season. This ruling overcame and is above that of the National Commission, for it was agreed to by the delegates at the league meeting. It is purely an agreement entered into between the various clubs in the circuit and the National Agreement has nothing to do with the case. The National Agreement also states that Class D. leagues should have a salary limit of $1200 per month. If no other agreement is reached between the club owners this would hold, but they agreed to make the salary limit $1500. So an agreement was reached in regard to the salary just the same as in regard to the number of players and no appeal to the National Commission will have any effect.

Saskatoon Players Strike

The strike of the Saskatoon players against the ruling of President Gray will get them nothing. In fact, it is liable to cause them a lot of trouble and they will be lucky if they get off without a fine. Refusal by players to participate in a game is a violation of one of the first principles of professional baseball and must be dealt with severely in order to maintain the game upon an orderly basis.

At the present time it is impossible to forecast with any degree of accuracy just what will be the outcome of the dispute. It is scarcely probable that Saskatoon will throw up the sponge at this critical ime. It has everything to lose and nothing to gain in so doing.

Bronks Play Regina Today

Today the Regina Red Sox and Bronks will complete their second local series of the season. What team will play here tomorrow is impossible to say. Moose Jaw, according to the schedule is due here, but arrangements were practically complete before the trouble for Saskatoon to play here tomorrow and for Moose Jaw to stay in Medicine Hat. In arraging the schedule a mistake was made and Saskatoon was given a jump from Edmonton to Medicine Hat in one night, which under present transportation conditions is impossible.

If the Saskatoon players decide to discontinue the strike, or some satisfactory compromise is reached, then Saskatoon will in all probability play here tomorrow. Otherwise Moose Jaw will be the attraction.

The result of the controversy will be watched with interest by the baseball world. It is one of the most drastic actions ever taken in the history of organized baseball. In his palmiest days Ban Johnson never made a ruling quite so drastic and the American league president is famous for his czar-like rulings. Additional complications are added in that practically every team in the league is disobeying the same rules that the Saskatoon team is and if the action is taken up before the board of control it will mean that at least three teams that are in the same boat as Saskatoon will probably band together while the other three will back up Mr. Gray.

Anyway the action proves that Mr. Gray has nerve and that he intends to be president in fact as well as name.

WEIRD GAME OF BALL AT MEDICINE HAT TOWN

Hatters Pounded Gavin From Mound and Then Bombarded Mr. Steele

Medicine Hat, June 18—Hatters saw one of the wildest games of ball played in the league today, when the Hat defeated Moose Jaw by a 12 to 9 score with the result always in doubt. At the end of the first half of the fourth the score stood 6 to 0 in favor of the visitors, Gavin having pitched hitless ball. In their half of the fourth, however, the Hat found him for six hits, three for extra bags and netted them five runs. In the next session with two on bases and none out, Steel replaced him but before the side was retired they got four hits off him and the one off Gavin making five, netting four runs. Errors and a hit gave the home team one in the seventh and a walk, single and triple, two in the eighth, two more. In the second, third and fourth the visitors got two hits in each, scoring one in the second, four in the third when Brown made two wild throws over first, one in the fourth and on three hits made three runs in the seventh.

Many near errors and wild plays made the game somewhat of a scream though there were few errors. The game was called at end of eighth on account of darkness.

Score by innings—

		R	H	E
Medicine Hat	000 541 02—	12	14	3
Moose Jaw	014 100 30—	9	10	2

Batteries—Brown and Bliss; Steel, Gavin and Moore

City Secures First Victory of the Season Defeating Lancashire

Team Which Was Discouraged Comes Out On Top After Fine Exhibition; Wyle Decides Game With a Pretty Goal, the First of His Career With the City Team

(By J. K. Matheson.)

THE pursuit of the City Football club by bad luck is not yet over, but the enemy is being conquered quickly now. Last evening the City with ten men defeated the Lancashire eleven by two goals to one after what was a very hard game. The City had a good many players, but after being turned down by the league last night, they only had ten men to put on the field. Harrison, their left back, refusing to play because senior football is too strenuous for him. However, he plays in Trades and Labor league football.

City scored their first goal ten minutes after the start, Judge picking up a fine pass by Banks, and although Forshaw touched the ball, nothing could stop its progress but the net. Lancashire equalized shortly afterwards as the result of a splendid shot by Butterfield, and let it be said here that he played a very hard and bustling game all through. Once particularly in the second half he got a forward pass and raced along in fine style, but Tommy Dickenson was too quick for him and returned in hard fashion.

First Half Belonged to City.

The first half was easily in favor of the City, and three or four times they should have done better at the goal mouth, but there were always two or three Lancashire men around to fix things. Hitchin was playing center half, and he was perhaps the hardest worker on the field. He did everything that was possible to help his team out, and Maisey behind him was as sure as a rock.

The second goal was a remarkable one, in that Wylie ran through the defence and parted with a pass to Banks, who returned, and the outside man then never stopped the ball, but drove it hard and true into the net, scoring his first goal for the City. He has played two years for the team.

Lancashire did not lie down and had hard lines twice, Land missing a chance. Toward the end City pressed again and were worthy winners.

City Had Bat Ten Men.

The City, although playing with ten men, had some fine plays. Coutts in center half, seems to be renewing his years of long ago, and Jimmy certainly is putting some fine exhibitions for the blue shirts. He passed and drove last night nippy and strong. Richardson was cold when the shot which beat him arrived, he having nothing to do for some time previous. Dickenson has completely recovered and was as usual safe as houses. Davie Stewart played left back and was always there when required. Emery and Whyte were good, with Coutts, as stated, the best half. Forward in the second half, Waude played well, and Wylie had the best evening this season for his club. Banks and Judge did not appear to try very hard at times, but there was no mistaking their earnestness after the City got in the lead.

Lancashire had Forshaw in goal with his usual effectiveness. Fould was an absentee—why no one knows—but Maisey played like a hero. Hitchin was the only half, and forward Stewart was missed along with Wilson. Land and Evans were the best. Butterfield is worthy of mention by reason of his grand goal. The following were the teams:

City—Richardson, Dickenson, Stewart, Whyte, Coutts, Emery, Wylie, Banks, Judge and Waude.

Lancashire—Forshaw, Maisey and another, Schol, Hitchin, Butterfield, Evans, Land, Middlemore.

Callies vs. Posties Tomorrow

With the exception of the Callie-Hillhurst game on June 25, at Hillhurst, the game between the Callies and Post Office at Victoria Park seems the most important on the calendar of football affairs at the present time.

Why? Well, Calells will have out what is considered one of their strongest elevens, and Post Office having drawn with Hillhurst, will naturally figures that their chances against the Callies, who only defeated the Hillhurst team by the only goal of the match, are bright. They have some reason for this, but nothing will be known until they meet.

"Who will win between the Post Office and Callies?" is the remark heard on all sides, and the only answer is "Go to the game and see, and please pay 15 cents." That is the charge and it is reasonable but some people at Victoria Park are trying to do the same with the football games as with the baseball—"see for nothing." That may be tried again, but will certainly not be tolerated. If a game is worth going to attend, it is worth paying for in the measure that is asked.

The following will be the teams, the Callies being without Bennett, who plays in a Commercial league game this evening.

Post Office—Beveridge; Thornhill, Jones, Parrish, Naylor, Cartwright, Murray, Miller, Paterson, Cunningham, Little Cartwright, Rackham and Crippen.

The Callies have provisionally agreed upon a team which will be as follows—Gilhooley; Cooper and Maclean; Haig, McEwan and Petrie; Skinner, Williams, Wilson, Nesbit and Stewart. Strang, Braidwood, Feeny and Ketchen will be on the ground to turn out if necessary, and H. E. Sheldon will have charge of the game. It will start at 7:15 sharp.

First-Class Referee in Calgary

It is stated that J. B. Stark, the famous Scotch referee in football circles, is now a resident of Calgary. His services, in the present dearth of good referees, should prove valuable. Jimmy Dalgety says everyone will admit that Mr. Stark is a fine controller of a soccer game.

RIVERSIDE SCHOOL BOASTS OF ALBERTAN SHIELD

In Riverside school for the next twelve months will hang The Albertan trophy emblematic of the championship of "C" section of the public schools league. Last night the team from this school won the final game of the series when it defeated the Haultain team by the score of 9 to 5. The teams lined up as follows:

Riverside—W. Harley, J. Stavent, A. Penny, A. Chisholm, M. Austin, H. Glover, C. Masters, Abe Neveler, Alex. Neveler.

Haultain—McDonald, Craig, Fiddler, Harley, Johnson, Sinclair, Kenney, Draper, Snyder.

Hudson Bay Team Won.

The new Hudson Bay Athletic park was broken in for football use last night when the Bay team defeated the Robin Hoods of the Commercial league by the score of 23 to 10. Following the game the victors stood treat to a sumptuous supper.

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