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LacrosseBRONCHOS OPEN LOCAL SEASON BY  
PLAYING TIE GAME WITH ESKIMOS

(By Joe Price.)

The Calgary Bronchos Saturday lived up to all the nice things which had been said about them when they made their initial local appearance and grabbed one game of the scheduled double header with the Eskimos and tied the other one. The game which they won was the evening encounter, the score being 13 to 4. The opening game was a 5 to 5 tie. And if it had not been for an antediluvian league statute, which required that the first game of a double header be called at five o'clock, the Bronchos might have copied the pair of contests.

As it was, after the Bronchos had helped Smick Meyers out of a tight hole in the Edmonton half of the ninth, and the fans were on edge for the first time during the rather unexciting contest, B. S. McDonald discovered it was five o'clock, and therefore that it would be impossible for Calgary to take a turn at bat; therefore the score must stand at the eighth inning figures, 5 to 5.

His Umps was doubtless right in his decision, but it was the quintessence of solid ivory to make the decision that he did without giving the fans warning. The result was a near riot.

At ten minutes to five the Eskimos went to bat. The score was a tie, five all. In the eighth the Bronchos had tied it after an uphill battle. The stage was set for a brilliant ninth inning finish. The Bronchos showed more pep in this first half of the ninth than at any previous time during the game. Beautiful quick fielding shut off a run at the plate when the bases were full. The side was retired without a run. The stands arose en masse and cheered the Bronchos as they came in from the field.

And then it happened! B. S. McDonald, the umpire man, advanced timidly to the fence and shouted in a thin falsetto voice that as it was five o'clock the game would have to be called and the score would revert back to the eighth inning, which meant that the game would end in a tie.

The spectators were stunned. Then, as they saw the teams getting ready to leave the field, they realized that something had happened and

that the Bronchos had been eucher out of the opening game of the season. Fortunately for the umps the spectators were not near enough to him to do what their anger prompted them to do. By the time the excited fans had crossed the track McDonald had made his get away.

The bone-headed part of the whole performance was that the umps did not announce before the ninth inning began that the game would be called at five o'clock. It would have been easy enough to have made this announcement and would have saved all the trouble. Perhaps if the Eskimos had scored in this inning the game would not have been called. Anyway, President Frank Gray was there, and he could have easily suspended the rules in view of the fact that it was the opening game; but he did not. Besides, Frank Gray also owns the Edmonton club, and it would have been expecting too much of him to take any such action.

The net result was a bunch of nearly three thousand soreheaded fans, many of whom left the grounds swearing that if that was the kind of treatment that they might expect that they would in the future save their four-bit pieces. The whole thing was very unfortunate, and will do the game a great deal of harm, especially in view of the fact that the game was over half an hour late in getting under way.

The fans turned out three thousand strong to witness the opening game. There would have been a great many more present had there been any certainty of the contest being played. Three days and three nights of almost steady rain and snow had made even the most optimistic of the fans give up any hope of seeing a game in the Edmonton series. But Old Sol came out in all his glory early Saturday morning, and accompanied by a warm wind, dried up the grounds in splendid fashion. The grounds were in such good condition that it was not even necessary to put down sawdust along the baselines. But this was not known until within three hours of the contest. The turnout of fans under such conditions was nothing short of wonderful.

## The First Game.

At two minutes past three Mayor Sinnott advanced to the center of the diamond coatless and with a Calgary baseball cap sitting jauntily at one side of his head. Cappy Smart took his position back of the plate. Cappy wore a big protector, a catching glove and a Calgary cap as well as other articles of attire too numerous to mention. The mayor who is usually one of the coolest of mortals was a little nervous at the sight of such a large and enthusiastic audience and after he had wound up and unwound several times for the benefit of the photographers he heaved the sphere toward the plate but Cappy Smart showed great agility and hooked onto the vagabond Reach—and the 1913 season was officially opened.

Mr. McDonald then announced that the batteries would be: Meyers and Roche for Calgary; Dickinson and Stark for Edmonton.

The First Inning. Roche, the former Swift Current amateur, led off for Edmonton. He cracked the very first ball pitched, down to Obie O'Brien, who fielded it nicely but made a bum leave to first which even Julie Streib could not stop and Roche was safe. Reddick then sacrificed. Whisman grounded out and Bow-and-arrow Skeels patted the pill on the nose for two bases, scoring Roche with the first run of the season. Redmond then whiffed and retired the side.

Larry Piper was given an ovation as he approached the plate in the Calgary half. He let the first one go by then connected with an out shoot. Larry sped around never stopping until

he reached the third station. The band started up with "You Great Big Beautiful Doll" but was drowned out by the enthusiastic fans. O'Brien grounded out; then Jimmy Flanagan delivered a pinch single inside the third baseline and Larry Piper scored. Roche was safe at first on a fielder's choice which cost Flanagan his life at second and Hollis ended the inning by fanning.

Second Inning. Dudley the first man up in the second, lifted a Texas leaguer and was advanced to second when Povey was out; but that was as far as he got as the next two up were easy outs. Vivian sent a fly out to deep center as a starter of the Calgary half of second. Rothfuss made his initial bow to the Calgary fans by driving a single between short and third. Julie Streib died out to Skeels. Then Smick Meyers poked a liner over second base while Rothfuss scampered to third and then came home when Larry Piper got his second single out of two times.

Third Inning. Roche, the former Swift Current amateur, led off for Edmonton. He cracked the very first ball pitched, down to Obie O'Brien, who fielded it nicely but made a bum leave to first which even Julie Streib could not stop and Roche was safe. Reddick then sacrificed. Whisman grounded out and Bow-and-arrow Skeels patted the pill on the nose for two bases, scoring Roche with the first run of the season. Redmond then whiffed and retired the side.

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## BRONCHOS vs. QUAKERS

The Bronchos will play the Saskatoon Quakers the first game of a three-game series this evening at 6:15. Arrangements have been made for the erection of bleachers close to the race-track, which will accommodate 800 fans. Reese will probably pitch for Calgary.

## THE "FIRSTS" CLUB

The first single—Flanagan.  
The first double—Skeels.  
The first triple—Piper.  
The first run—Roche.  
The first strike out—Redmond.  
The first sacrifice—Povey.  
The first hit—Whisman.  
The first base on balls—Flanagan.  
The first error—Vivian.  
The first bonehead—B. S. McDonald.

the eighth. Roche singled and Whisman connected for a long single, which scored the ex-amateur. Calgary couldn't catch up in its half of the seventh. Edmonton did nothing in its half of the eighth, but Rothfuss bagger in the eighth, followed by Julie Streib's single, tied things up in the shape of the final score—5 to 5.

In the ninth Edmonton got the bases full but light fielder held them scoreless, and then the umps butted in with his untimely decision and put the stop on any chance the Bronchos had of winning the game.

Edmonton—AB R H P.O. A.E.  
Roche 3b ..... 4 2 2 0 4 0  
O'Brien 2b ..... 4 2 2 0 1 0  
Whisman cf ..... 4 2 2 0 0 0  
Skeels lf ..... 4 2 2 0 0 0  
Dudley 1b ..... 4 0 2 8 1 0  
Povey rf ..... 3 0 2 0 0 0  
Sveener c ..... 4 0 0 0 0 0  
Dickenson p ..... 3 0 1 0 3 0  
Clayton ..... 0 0 0 0 0 0  
Totals ..... 32 5 11 24 11 1  
Calgary—AB R H P.O. A.E.  
Piper cf ..... 5 2 2 1 0 0  
Flanagan rf ..... 3 1 2 0 0 0  
Roche c ..... 4 0 0 0 2 0  
Hollis ss ..... 3 0 0 0 1 0  
Vivian 2b ..... 4 0 1 2 4 0  
Streib 1b ..... 4 0 2 12 1 0  
Meyers p ..... 2 0 1 0 3 0  
Dickson ..... 0 0 0 0 0 0  
Totals ..... 33 5 12 24 10 1

Edmonton again in lead. In the third the Eskimos jumped into the lead again on a single by Roche, followed by two triples, one by Reddick and the other by Whisman, resulting in two runs being scored. It almost amounted to three runs when Redmond, who got to first by the ambulance route, went to second on Roche's bum peg down to second.

Summary—Three base hits, Piper, Rothfuss, Reddick, Whisman, Dudley; two base hits, Rothfuss, Skeels, Dickinson. Roche sacrificed hits, Roche, Reddick, Dudley; stolen bases, Vivian, Skeels; first base on balls, Dickinson; 1; struck out by Dickinson, 4; by Meyers, 4; hit by pitched ball, by Meyers, 1; Redmond, by Dickinson, 1; left on bases, Calgary 8, Edmonton 6; first base on error, Edmonton 1; double play, Skeels to Reddick, Piper to Roche; time of game, 1:57; umpire, B. S. McDonald; attendance, 2,500.

## The Evening Game.

Calgary fans were given their first chance to look over Walter Johnson, Frink in action in the evening encounter. The fans were so convinced that Calgary had picked up one of the speediest and cleverest fingers who have ever appeared in the league when he held the much touted Eskimos down to five string hits which resulted in only four runs while the local boys annexed thirteen from Larry Heinichs and White Sox and Bill Morrow came. Three of the Eskimos hit came in an inning as did three of the runs. One of the one round Frink was as tight as the new double bottom steamships which have been designed since the wreck of the Titanic.

Heinrich did nothing but a reputation. The local batsmen solved his offerings as easily as a piano contest and what they did to the south-sided offerings will look better in the batting averages than in a detailed account of the contest.

The fun started in the first inning when two runs came across the plate which number was supplemented by three more in the third two more in the sixth, another two in the seventh

## and a final spasm of four in the eighth.

The Bronchos backed up Frink like real big leaguers, Sam Vivian especially pulling off some circus stunts which would arouse enthusiasm at a funeral service.

The box score follows:  
Edmonton—AB R H P.O. A.E.  
Roche 3b ..... 4 1 1 1 0 0  
Reddick ss ..... 3 1 0 2 2 1  
Whisman cf ..... 3 0 0 2 2 0  
Flanagan rf ..... 4 1 2 1 0 0  
Dudley 1b ..... 4 1 1 11 2 0  
Povey rf ..... 3 0 1 0 0 0  
Sveener c ..... 4 0 0 3 1 0  
Stark 2b ..... 4 0 0 3 0 0  
Heinrich p ..... 3 0 0 4 1 1  
Totals ..... 32 4 4 24 11 5

Calgary—AB R H P.O. A.E.  
Piper lf ..... 3 3 0 1 0 0  
O'Brien 2b ..... 5 2 3 0 1 0  
Roche c ..... 5 2 3 6 2 1  
Hollis ss ..... 4 1 1 11 2 0  
Vivian 2b ..... 4 2 2 4 6 0  
Rothfuss lf ..... 5 1 1 1 0 0  
Streib 1b ..... 6 2 1 14 0 0  
Frink p ..... 4 0 0 0 2 1  
Reese ..... 0 0 0 0 0 0  
Totals ..... 39 13 12 27 15 3

Edmonton ..... 000 300 100—4  
Calgary ..... 203 002 245—13  
Summary—Two base hits, O'Brien 2; Dudley; sacrifice hits, Flanagan, Hollis, Streib; stolen bases, Vivian; first base on balls, off Heinrich 5, off Frink 3; left on bases, Edmonton 4, Calgary 8; struck out by Heinrich 5, by Frink 8; double plays, Hollis to Vivian to Streib; wild pitches, Heinrich; time 1:45; umpire, McDonald; attendance, 1,000.

## CUTAWAY WINS CLABAUGH CUP

Pimlico, Md., May 10.—Cutaway, the two year old filly by Ellis Dale-Pastrybird, belonging to Thomas F. Ryan, won the Clabaugh Memorial cup this afternoon. The finish was so close that only the judges could separate the first three horses. They decided that Cutaway was first by a nose in front of Mater, while Mater's stable companion was third.

First race, 2 year olds, 4 1/2 furlongs. Cutaway, second; Mater, third. Time: 55 4-5. Second race, six furlongs—Sylvester, won; Deduction, second; Muff, third. Time: 1:16 2-5. Third race, 4 1/2 furlongs—Cutaway, won; Mater, second; Executor, third. Time: 55 2-5. Fourth race, Glenmore steeplechase, 2 miles and a quarter—Julia, Armour, won; Lizzie, second; Charles F. Grainer, third. Time: 4:27. Fifth race, 1 mile—Rockview, won; Lechiel, second; Buckin, third. Time: 1:45 1-5. Sixth race, mile and a sixteenth—Stairs, won; McCreary, second; Cutthunk, third. Time: 1:48 3-5.

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