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Bees Have Sting

Baseball fans in Boston were satisfied at the beginning of this baseball season that Tom Yawkey's gold plated Red Sox were capable of giving the Yanks a run for their money in the American League but little did they suspect the Bees from the hive of Casey Stengel to swarm all over the National League in the early stages of the race. But that is exactly what the Bees have been doing and instead of a one-way dither over Joe Cronin's team, the fans in the Hub city are getting a double helping of victory sweets.

The Bees began to claim attention even before the high-flying Giants moved into the city, but it was not until their series was over that the experts began to sit up and take notice, as the saying goes. Now the Bees are perched up on the top rung one and a half games above Cincinnati, the favorite son.

And Casey Too

Speaking of the Bees reminds one of that day in the 1923 World Series in the Yankee Stadium, so the story goes, when Casey was playing with John McGraw, who as his idol. Stengel clouted a mighty home run into the bleachers and as he trotted around the bases, he blithely thumbed his nose at the Yankee bench, and kept on thumbing his nose, to the amazement of the dignified Judge Kennesaw Mountain Landis, the high commissioner, and the delighted crowd. "No

more thumbing your nose, Stengel," thundered Landis. "Aw, just a little quick one—like that—eh, Judge?" replied Casey, and the laughing eyes and curled lips might have meant anything. One has an idea that the capable Casey might be silently and mentally thumbing his nose to the rest of the National League right now and there are many who're hoping he'll get away with it and lead his Bees into the Yankee Stadium for another World Series as in '23.

"Never Meant Much"

Lou Gehrig, the old Iron Hoss, voluntarily retired to the Yankee bench last week to the accompaniment of columns and columns of gab by the sports writers from Maine to California. Last Tuesday the Yankees played a Major League game without Gehrig in the lineup for the first time since May 30, 1925. By taking to the bench "for the good of the team," Columbia Lou ended at 2,130, his con-

secutive game streak, his batting average having slipped to a mere .143. Now that the streak has ended Gehrig told sports writers that the long record never really meant much to him. One can hardly believe this however in view of the circumstances. If Gehrig has conserved his strength over these 13 years with periods of rest, it's likely that he might still be going strong.

Ruth Had Big Edge

Many people have the impression that Lou was as good as a certain forgotten man by the name of Babe Ruth but the records reveal that the first sacker was never in the Babe's class. Ruth was a super star. If Lou could play for seven more years and averaged as many home runs as he did last year (29) for each of these seven years—he will still lack 17 homers of equalling Ruth's grand total of 714. Here's the records which show just how the two stack up:

Records	Ruth	Gehrig	Edge
Years played	22	16	6
Games	2503	2156	347
Times at bat	8399	7973	426
Runs	2174	1887	287
Hits	2873	2717	156
Doubles	506	535	—
Triples	136	161	—
Home runs	714	494	220
Total bases	5793	5056	737
Extra-base Hits	1356	1190	166
Extra bases	2920	2341	579
Runs batted in	2209	1988	221
Years 100 Rbi	13	13	—
Years .300 average	14	12	2
Total bases	1356	1190	166

Giants All



Three New York Giant mainstays in other years are shown above. Carl Hubbell, right, called the "Giant's Mealticket," is on the sore arm list this year so far. Others in the above picture are Hal Schumacher, left, and Cliff Melton, center.

"Leans" And "Fats" Clash In Big Soft Ball Spectacle

The "leans" and the "fats" had it out at High School park Friday night with soft ball and bat as the chief weapons, with the boys on the slender side getting the best of the bargain.

Liniment and other first aid equipment were brought by the players and a few of the wives who were present for the first sports classic here under the lights. Sponsor of the event was B. B. Knight, local baseball enthusiast, and the proceeds were to have been given toward a final payment on the baseball park. The lights were furnished by a traveling company from Virginia.

What the final score was would be hard to tell. Even the score-keeper would probably be afraid to say. One version was 50-some to 20-some but this would never be admitted by the "fats."

One of the highlights of the game was a homer by Officer Charlie Wade which didn't count because he didn't touch first base. The officers have a habit of cutting corners, it seems.

B. B. Knight, pitched a "mean" ball for the slightly chubby team, while Jimmy Millican started the hurling duties for the leans.

Others missing balls and fanning out for the fats were Clarence Holeman, Henry Gates, Cliff Hall, Henry O'Brian, Mack Saunders, W. T. Gibson, Brodie Riggsbee, Artie Watson, T. K. Glenn, Claude Hall, Sam Barnett and Others.

Out to "do or die" for the dear old lean cause were Earl Bradsher, Sr. and Earl Bradsher, Jr., Bordon Brown, Coy Holeman, J. B. Snipes, Charles Gentry, Red Day, Chief Sam Oliver, Dave Brooks, Jimmy Millican and host of substitutes.

Ca-Vel Plays Lucky Strike Here Today In Feature Tilt

RAMBLERS TOP ALLENSVILLE NINE

The Ramblers of Roxboro High proved too strong for Allensville here Thursday and the locals eked out a 4-1 decision.

Elsie Lee Taylor, the Rambler's ace righthander, let the visitors down with a measly three bingles during the afternoon while his mates were getting to Robert Slaughter for seven.

Holeman and Talley divided hitting honors with two hits apiece out of three trips to the rubber, one of the former's blows going for a home run.

Green and Slaughter got triples and Dixon a double for their hitting contributions for the day.

Taylor fanned 12 during the ball game.

The lineups:

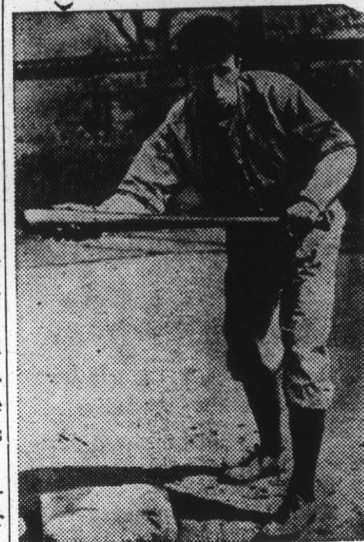
Roxboro	Ab	R	H	A
Green, lf	3	1	1	0
Taylor, p	3	1	1	3
Holeman, cf	3	2	2	0
Dixon, 2b	2	0	1	0
Woods, 3b	2	0	0	1
Whitfield, rf	0	0	0	0
Clayton, lb	3	0	0	0
Yarboro, ss	1	0	0	0
Day, c	3	0	1	1
Stanfield, 2b	1	0	1	0
Moore, 1b	2	0	0	0
Buchannon, ss	2	0	0	0

Totals	Ab	R	H	A
Allensville	25	4	7	5
Averette, c	3	0	0	0
Knott, lb	3	0	0	0
Talley, ss	3	0	2	0
Young, cf	2	1	0	1
Slaughter, p	3	0	1	0
Long, rf	3	0	0	0
Hicks, 2b	3	0	0	2
Crumpton, lf	1	0	0	0
O'Brian, 3b	1	0	0	0
Totals	22	1	3	3

Score by innings:
Allensville 000 100 0-1
Roxboro 200 020 x-4

Errors: Talley 2, O'Brian, Crumpton; Runs bated in: Green, Holeman, Dixon 2, Slaughter; Two-base hits: Dixon; Three-base hits: Green, Slaughter; Home runs: Holeman; Stolen bases: Young; Left on bases: Roxboro 4, Allensville 3; Base on balls—off: Taylor 3, Slaughter 1; Struck out—by Taylor 12, Slaughter 7; Hits—off: Slaughter 7, Taylor 3; Hit by pitcher: Slaughter 1; Dild pitches: Allensville 1; Passed balls: Roxboro 1; Losing pitcher: Slaughter; Winning pitcher: Taylor; Umpires: Riley.

Deaf-Dumb Star



Handicaps of lack of speech and hearing have not prevented John Gray, seventeen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. William Gray of Canaan, Conn., from following in the footsteps of his famous uncle, the late John McGraw, former manager of the New York Giants. Gray is a natural ball player both in the field and at bat. In addition to playing first base for the school team, he captained the basketball team of the Mystic Oral school from which he graduates this spring.

Ca-Vel's inter-city league baseball team will meet Lucky Strike, strong independent team, this afternoon at 3 o'clock at Ca-Vel park in a game celebrating National Semi-Pro day.

National Semi-Pro day, sponsored by the National Semi-Pro congress, is another feature of the Centennial Celebration being observed this year by baseball throughout the nation. One hundred years ago this year, Abner Doubleday was supposed to have drawn off the first baseball diamond and set up the rules for the first game.

It is to this Centennial celebration that the game here is being dedicated, Manager Baxter Mangum said yesterday. A capacity crowd is expected to be on hand for this game, which promises to be one of the best exhibition games on the local schedule.

Mangum has not indicated whom he will send to the mound for today's classic but it will probably be Tommy Crowder, ace of the Ca-Vel mound corp, or Harold Clayton.

At the other positions will probably be Clyde Wright, catcher; Haywood Slaughter, first baseman; Lester James, second baseman; Cotton Powell, short stop; Howard Anders, third baseman; and Morris Briggs, Carlton Slaughter and Reuben Wheeler, outfielders.

Major Leaders

BATTING

The three leading batters in each Major League for play to date:

Mazzera, Browns	.545
Wasdell, Senators	.452
Kuhel, White Sox	.443
Myers, Reds	.425
May, Phillies	.415
Medwick, Cardinals	.378

RUNS BATTED IN

American League

Greenberg, Tigers	14
Hoag, Browns	14
Etten, Athletics	14
Selkirk, Yankees	14

National League

Goodman, Reds	14
Cuccinello, Bees	11
Camilli, Dodgers	11

HOME RUNS

American League

Gehring, Tigers	3
Selkirk, Yankees	3
Williams, Red Sox	3
Foxx, Red Sox	3

National League

Camilli, Dodgers	3
Lazzeri, Dodgers	3
Mize, Cardinals	3
Goodman, Reds	3
Ott, Giants	3

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