

NEWCOMERS AND COMEBACKS

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Fans have had a busy spring of it, welcoming back quite a few old players whose names were missing from the scoreboards during the war; they have been greeting a lot of newcomers who played ball in the service and then took up the game professionally; they have seen the start of several new leagues; and they have welcomed into Organized Baseball some new cities which have not previously held membership and some others which have been absent for a long, long time.

It's those roped in after the last semicolon in the paragraph above to whom these lines are dedicated.

The Western International is introducing a brand new member in Bremerton, Wash., and shaking hands with a returning old-timer, Victoria, B. C., which has been out since it was a member of the Pacific International League, back in 1921.

With the exception of El Paso, Tex., the Mexican National circuit has all new cities, including Chihuahua, Mexico City, Juarez, Saltillo and Torreon.

Kingston, Not., is getting its first taste of Organized Ball as a member of the new Border League and the California loop is giving a christening to Visalia, Cal.

The New England loop cer-

tainly has done a great revival job, bringing pro baseball back to some territories which have not had it for a generation and more. Pawtucket, R. I., has to think back to its Colonial League days of 1941; so does Fall River, Mass, Providence, Lawrence, Lynn, Manchester, Nashua and Portland, Me., have been spasmodic in their memberships, and it has been quite some time since any of them saw much minor league baseball.

Aberdeen, S. D., in the swim as a member of the Northern loop, has been among the ab-gue club disbanded in 1923, before the season ended. Another Northern member, Sa. Cloud, Minn., has missing for a longer period, since it was in the old Northern wheel of 1913.

Sherman, Tex., started in the Lone Star League in 1929, but did not see the season through, and is now back on the diamond as a member of the East Texas organization. Greenville was in the old East Texas back in '26.

Crossing another international border the Florida International League takes in Havana, Cuba, which was in the old Cuban League back in 1911. Lakeland, Fla., also a member of this group, has had to do without the game since 1926, when it was included

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S P O R T S

TRACK AND FIELD MEET AT OLYMPIC STADIUM ON SUNDAY JULY 28

Many Athletes to be seen in Action.

Many of the Panama's top athletes will be soon in action at a track meet that will be held at the Olympic Stadium on Sunday morning at 8 o'clock.

The injury sustained by Champion Clayton Clarke, will place on the shoulders of St. Clair Brown the responsibility of being chief standard-bearer of Club Mercurio. The surprise of the day may be Joseph Thomas of Club Mercurio who gave the flashy Luis Welch decisive thrashings in the 100 meters and in the 200 meters. In the sprints, the Atlantic Side will pin its hopes on Brathwaite, Cabey, and Loney. Carter, of the Commandos, will be in there fighting courageously as usual.

Cyril McSween, champion national quarter-miler, is suffering from severe leg pains and

may not be seen in action. The absence of McSween will bring about a thrilling duel between Reginaldo Matthews and Eric Ferguson.

David Benskin will once more face his great rival, Luis Ricketts in the half-mile and the mile. Frank Prince, the new sensation of the Commandos, is also afflicted with a leg injury and may not be up to his best performance.

The events for women should teem with interest. Amy Foster, another athlete on the sick list may not compete but the honors of Mercurio will be defended by Mildred Bannister who has been burning up the cinder track during the last few weeks.

The high jump should be filled with surprises. Champion Silvia Forde may be in for

a few surprises. It is rumored that Club Mercurio has a new sensation in this event but very little information can be obtained concerning her.

Champion Mitchell Clovis will once more defend his crown in the high jump. Lenine Alexander, who defeated Britto at the last meet is also on the inactive list because of a leg injury sustained at the Olympic Stadium while practicing.

Refugio Wins First Championship

Roy Raveneau's Refugio Softball Team won the championship of the La Boca Senior Softball League by defeating the powerful Monte Carlo in two of three games.

The Refugio lads swept through the first half season without a defeat but ran smack into jolting punches in the final half drive with the result that the Monte Carlo and Gamboa Cervecería were tied with them for second half honors. In the second-play-off the Monte Carlo smashed their way to a sensational victory but crumbled in the championship series.

The Refugio team is composed of the following: Roy Raveneau, Manager; G. P. Hinds, Coach; Evans Clarke, Field Captain; Willie Raveneau, c; Roddy Prince, Harry Lashley, Leonard Inniss and Rupert Hylton, pitchers; George Raveneau, 1b; Arthur King 2b; George Griffith and Buster Sealey, shortstops; Clyde Lashley, Clifford Nurse, Eddie Pusey, George Sealey, Newton Lindo, George Grannum, James Weekes, and Hubert Evans, outfielders.

PANAMA'S ACE SPRINTER INJURED

Clayton Clarke, Panam's ace sprinter, and favorite to win in the coming Central American Olympics, received a serious leg injury during a practice session at the Olympic Stadium on Saturday.

Clarke will be out of active competition for at least two months and has definitely decided to do all his training in La Boca in order to safeguard a recurrence of his injury.

SPORT ACTIVITIES IN GAMBOA REVIVED AFTER A BRIEF LAYOFF, THE GAMBOA SENIOR BASKETBALL LEAGUE RESUMED ITS ACTIVITIES LAST WEDNESDAY 17th

The Lucky Heart cagers paced by Ignacious Paschal extended their winning streak to five games as the team downed the Sentinel Radio by a score of 52 to 38.

The loss for the radiomen was the team's fourth for the first half honors. High pointers for the winners were Paschal 17, Wilbert Holder 15 and Robert Joseph 14. Starring for the Sentinel Radio was Kenneth Joseph with nine field goals and one foul shot for a total of 19 points.

Continuing its domination of the first half race, Lester Grant's Lucky Heart lads made it six straight as they eked out a thrilling 36-32 win from the Ever-Ready quintet on Thursday night. With this victory the boys of the perfume products clinched the first half championship honors. Wilbert Holder with 15 and Ken Wade's 14 led the winners in the scoring department.

The Golf Club A. C. failed in their attempt to break into the win column as the team dropped it's fifth consecutive game by losing to Nelson's Radio squad 36 to 29 in the night-cap. Again it was the up and coming Ken Joseph who paced his team's scoring with 16 points to his credit. The "golfers" weak offense handicapped the team in their many tries at the baskets. Winston Rollocks, ace shooter for the Golf Club A. C. accounted for one half of his team's score as he accumulated a total of sixteen points.

Winding up the week's basketball activities on Friday night Ever-Ready cagers handed the cellar dwelling Golf Club their sixth setback with a 40 - 34 win. The playing displayed in this game was very poor as both teams resorted to rough tactics and unnecessary fouling. Earl Holder's sixteen points was tops for the game. R. Burns his team-mate of the Ever-Ready hoopsters tallied five goals to register 10 points.

The standing of the teams in games played up to Friday 15th are as follows:

Team	Win	Lose	Pct.
Lucky Heart	6.	0	1000
Ever-Ready	4	2	667
Sentinel Radio	2	4	333
Golf Club A. C.	0	6	000

The Big Ten of the scoring department are:

Name	Fg.	Ft.	Points
Earl Holder (Ever-Ready)	29	7	65
Wilber Holder (Lucky Heart)	28	7	63
Ken Wade (Lucky Heart)	29	3	61
Winston Rollocks (Golf Club)	26	6	58
Ken Joseph (Sen. Radio)	24	4	52
Robert Joseph (Lucky Heart)	23	4	50
I. Paschal (Lucky Heart)	19	10	48
Franklin Spencer (Ever-Ready)	16	6	38
John Leach (Sen. Radio)	13	8	34
Harold Cooper (Golf Club)	16	1	33

MIDGET BASKETBALL

The Midget League consisting of four teams namely, BAM, Dandux, Medarts and Toch Boys, was inaugurated last Wednesday 17th. In the opening game Arnold Dorville's Toch Boys led by the lanky midget Vernon King trounced Earl Holder's BAM Midgets 16 to 5. The "midget brewers" defense was unable to stop the crack shooting of King who broke through easily to tally four field goals for a total of eight points. Christopher Daniels acquired three points for the losers by scoring three foul shots.

In a thrilling game which brought the fans to their feet in the final minutes of play. Paschal's Medarts eked out a 12-10 victory over French's Dandux. The Medarts commanded the lead throughout the first three quarters but with fifteen second of play left for the final of the game, Gill, the tiny forward of the Dandux gave the crowd a thrill as he sank a sensational goal from the angle to tie the scoring at ten points. A field goal by T. Peterkin in the extra period gave the game to the Medarts.

On Thurs. 18th, the Medarts made it two straight in the win column as they scored another sensational victory, this time by the narrow margin of 19-18 over Toch Boys. Starring was T. Peterkin who top scored with nine points.

Registering a 12 to 8 win at the expense of the Dandux who dropped game number two, the BAM Midgets climbed into second place, onehalf game ahead of the Toch Boys with two defeats. Returning to the courts fifteen minutes after their less, the Dandux quintet scored the league's first upset as they overcame an early eight point lead garnered by the highly touted Toch Boys in the very first quarter to win fourteen to twelve. With the ending of the first quarter, the game appeared to be a walk-way for Dorville's team as they had compiled ten points to the winners two. But by holding the Toch scoreless in the second and fourth periods while their teammates were averaging four points a quarter, the Dandux won to tie the Toch team in the third place of the league standings.

Team Standings:

	Win	Lose	Pct.
Medart	2	0	1000
BAM	1	1	500
Toch	1	2	333
Dandux	1	2	333

Leading Scorers:

Name	Fg.	Ft.	Pts.
Vernon King (Toch)	7	2	16
George Gibbs (Toch)	8	0	16
T. Peterkin (Medarts)	7	1	15
O. Rollocks (Dandux)	4	1	9
W. Spencer (Medarts)	4	1	9
George Weeks (Dandux)	4	0	8
Carlos Gill (Dandux)	4	0	8

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