

Canada's Weird Style Of Football Beginning

By JACK HAND

TORONTO (AP)—Football in August? Three downs to go 10 yards? Twelve men on a team? Five points for a touchdown? A 55-yard line? Man, you must be out of your mind.

It sounds like a midsummer night's dream but it's on the level, Canadian style. The "big four" Eastern Interprovincial Rugby Football Union opens its season Saturday with United States TV cameras (NBC) blinking down on the Canadian game for the first time.

To most U. S. citizens, Canadian football has been some vague game played by quaint clubs called the "Argonauts" and the "Alouettes." It has been hard for them to understand why "name" players deserted the National League pro clubs to go north of the border.

The answers run all the way from "More money, less work" to "I like the wide open game better." Whatever the reason, there is no question that the Canadian fans like this free-wheeling game with emphasis on individual effort.

All "Big Four" teams are coached by former U.S. collegians. Respected Frank Clark, ex-Ontario State, coaches the Toronto Argonauts who open at home Saturday against the Ottawa Rough Riders, coached by Clem Crowe, who played in front of the "Four Horsemen" at Notre Dame and held various U. S. coaching jobs. "Pea Head" Walker, formerly of Yale and Wake Forest, is coach of the Montreal Alouettes who play the Hamilton Tiger-cats, handled by Carl Voyles, once Brooklyn Dodgers coach.

The Toronto-Ottawa game will get the TV treatment the first week but all clubs will be seen during the 14-week season climaxed by the Grey cup game in which the "Big Four" champion plays the winner of the five-team Western Interprovincial Rugby Football Union. Winnipeg, Regina, Calgary, Edmonton and Vancouver.

Each team can have 10 "imports" but only nine can dress for any one game. The squads are permitted to dress a total of 20 players.

Although the rules vary widely from the U.S. game, Canadian fans claim you will not see too much difference between their game and that played in the states.

Each team has 12 men, five in the backfield with an extra wing-back, called the flying wing. All clubs use the T-formation with split-T variations. The field is 110 yards long and 65 yards wide as compared to the 100 x 53-1/3 in the U.S. You have to make 10 yards in three downs, instead of four, and are not allowed to take time out except for injury.

There is no such thing as a penalty for backs in motion as Canadian backs can move in any direction behind the line of scrimmage, before the ball is snapped. No blocking is permitted 10 yards behind the line and all punts must be run back with no fair catch allowed.

Scoring is different, too. A touchdown (majors) counts five, a conversion one, field goal three and a safety two. There is one extra gimmick, called a "rouge," that counts one point. You score a "rouge" by punting either over the back or side of the 35-yard deep end zone or kicking the receiver before he gets out of the end zone. Last year there wasn't a single tie game in the entire schedule, largely because of the "rouge."



NEW BACKSTOP — With a scale model, Roy E. Pinniger explains the mechanism of a revolutionary portable baseball backstop to Little Leaguer Jack Wenstrom. The 11-year-old is a catcher with the North Chicago Yanks.

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Salem Senators Hold Lead Despite Loss

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
If the Western International League race gets any tighter they're going to have to use a shoebox to pry out a second half pennant winner.

With less than two weeks of play remaining, four teams Friday were in a virtual tie for first place. Percentage-wise Salem still held a slight margin, although Vancouver, Yakima and Lewiston were just a breath away.

Thursday night results produced the four-way deadlock. Salem and Yakima, which had held a one game lead Wednesday, both lost. The Senators dropped a 14-3 decision to Tri-City, while Yakima was bowing to Lewiston, 8-6.

Vancouver, meantime, backed into second place in the percentage column as its game with Edmonton was postponed because of wet grounds. The Caps, although trailing Salem by 1/2 game, have played fewer times and have a slightly better average than Yakima and Lewiston.

Lewiston's triumph over Yakima was only the Braves' fourth in their last 16 starts. The Idahoans led the league most of the second half season and three weeks ago were 6 1/2 games in front.

The Braves spotted Yakima one run then came back with four of their own in the first inning. The scoring came on four hits, a fielder's choice and a sacrifice fly. Al Hess tripled and Larry Barton doubled during the rally. Lewiston need the game in the third with three more runs on three hits and a walk, and Nick Cantilli's double in the fifth drove in the winner. Danny Rios the loser.

Tri-City went on a 21-hit batting spree in chalking up their only victory in the four game series. Every man in the Braves' lineup, except Bob Moniz, got at least one hit and every man but Perry Carroll scored one or more runs as the Braves hopped on the offerings of Bill Fanks and Joe Nicholas.

For Salem, the big man at the plate was Harry Warner who hit four for five, including a double. Tri-City's biggest inning was the eighth when the Braves chased seven runs across the plate.

The teams change opponents Friday night with Vancouver at Salem, Edmonton at Yakima and Tri-City at Lewiston.

Bly Prepares For '54 Hunters
BLY — Prediction was made here Friday that the Bly area will have the greatest influx of hunters this fall in its history.

Archie Davis and Pop England, proprietors of the Hallway House, sportsmen's headquarters, say that hunters from all over the state are making inquiries about accommodations during the deer season.

"No doubt Bly is in for its biggest hunting season," Davis said. "It looks like conditions for hunting will be excellent in this area."

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W L Pct. GB
New York 78 45 .634
Brooklyn 75 49 .605 3 1/2
Milwaukee 71 51 .582 6 1/2
St. Louis 69 65 .476 19 1/2
Philadelphia 68 64 .475 19 1/2
Cincinnati 59 66 .472 20
Chicago 49 76 .392 30
Pittsburgh 46 79 .368 33

Thursday's Results
Chicago 4-1, New York 3-2
Milwaukee 3, Philadelphia 2
Pittsburgh 2, St. Louis 1
Only games scheduled

AMERICAN LEAGUE
W L Pct. GB

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Cleveland 30 35 .462
New York 36 40 .476 4 1/2
Chicago 33 46 .418 9
Detroit 55 70 .440 35
Boston 54 69 .439 35
Washington 51 72 .415 38
Philadelphia 42 83 .338 48
Baltimore 40 86 .317 50 1/2

Thursday's Results
Cleveland 2, Washington 1
New York 11, Detroit 2
Chicago 8-1, Philadelphia 1-4
Baltimore 5, Boston 3

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE
W L Pct. GB

W L Pct. GB
Hollywood 89 59 .601
San Diego 89 59 .601
Oakland 76 71 .517 12 1/2
San Francisco 76 72 .514 13
Seattle 70 73 .490 16 1/2
Sacramento 65 82 .442 23 1/2
Los Angeles 62 83 .428 25 1/2
Portland 59 87 .404 29

Thursday's Results
Portland 7, San Francisco 5
Hollywood 7, Seattle 1
Los Angeles 14, Sacramento 2
San Diego 5, Oakland 4

Western International League
W L Pct. GB

W L Pct. GB
Salem 30 20 .600
Vancouver 28 19 .596 1/2
Yakima 33 23 .590
Lewiston 34 24 .588
Edmonton 25 26 .500 5
Tri-City 20 24 .370 12
Wenatchee 18 25 .420 13 1/2

Thursday's Results
Lewiston 8, Yakima 6
Tri-City 14, Salem 3
Edmonton at Vancouver, postponed, wet grounds

B Shrine Teams Battle Saturday
PENDLETON (AP)—The third game in the annual class B Shrine all-star football game will be played here Saturday night before an expected crowd of 8,000.

The series between east and west high school graduates is even. The West won the opening game in 1952, 12-0, and the East won last year, 19-0.

Ray Stephens of Amity, the West coach, and John Comisky of Union, the East coach, said their squads were in excellent condition. A final light workout was scheduled Friday.

The East will go into the game with a 12-pound-per-man weight advantage in the line. The West hopes to overcome that with speed and a passing attack.

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No Depth Hinders Russians

BERN, Switzerland (AP)—Just how far have the Russians come since Helsinki in their calculated drive to build a track and field team that can rival America in Olympic competition?

They have made marked progress, it's true, as results in two days of competition in the European Track and Field Championships here have shown.

But they still lack depth once you get past their outstanding stars.

And you need those seconds and thirds in world class competition. The Soviets also don't appear to have a well-rounded squad when they face the outside world.

Here yesterday at Neufeld Stadium coach failed to place a man in the 100-meter final.

Winner Heinz Fütterer of Germany had a time of 10.5 and he was the only finalist who could measure up against America's crack sprinters.

Such top Russian men as hop, step and jump world record holder Leonid Scherbakov and 400-meter hurdler world beater Yury Lituev appear able to hold their places as No. 1 in their specialties.

Ar dalton Ignatjev ran 400 meters all-around yesterday in 47 flat in the semifinal and looks capable of battling anyone for first place.

But there's no one too outstanding in the 800 or 1,500 meters. Eugenij Bulanchik, bald 110-meter hurdler, may win the European title here for he's not in the class of American hurdlers.

Most titles still are to be decided but Russia has entered nobody of importance in the high or broad jumps.

They boast world class men in the javelin and hammer and mace and athletes of substance in the shot and discus.

Russia still has two more years before the Melbourne Olympics in 1956. They have come along well since 1952 and the next years of competition against the outside world should bear results.

BOWLING SCORES
WOMEN'S TRIO
Final

W L
Letters 29 18 1/2
Dolly Ferrer 27 21
Screwballs 24 23 1/2
Three Angels 21 27
Gutter Stoops 17 31

Opal McDonald and Vivian Wise captured most of the honors in individual action of the final evening of the Women's Tri League last night at Lucky Lanes.

Both bowlers tied for the series lead with a 490 score, while Opal McDonald rolled a 187 high game and Vivian Wise picked up a game total of 179 for second place.

In team action, the Rolly Terrors won both team events with their 1435 series and a 513 game. Runnerup positions were claimed by the Screwballs with a 1390 series and the Three Angels with a single game score of 477.

Next Thursday evening, a swappakes tournament will be held for all bowlers of the Women's League, and all lady keepers are urged to enter the tourney.

TIME OUT



"And counting for the Kid's knock-downs ..."

Record Field Of Gunners After Honors

VANALIA, Ohio (AP)—A record field of more than 2,000 fired Friday in quest of trapshooting's greatest gold and glory in the 55th Grand American handicap.

The 100-target event in which shooters are placed from 17 to 25 yards back of the traps according to shooting ability, is the feature event of the roasting Grand American's week-long barrage here.

In keeping with a 54-year tradition, some unknown is expected to walk off with the top guaranteed prize of \$1,500 and a possible \$10,000 payoff if he plays the entire optional system.

The title most coveted in the clay target sport never has been won by a woman or an outstanding favorite. No one has won it twice, and in 54 years only five men have been able to break the entire 100.

Winners have ranged from a 14-year-old boy to a 70-year-old man. Vern Thornborrow, 34-year-old Canadian from Hamilton, Ont., put the "kiss of death" on his chances to win Friday by taking the preliminary handicap Thursday with a perfect score of 100 from 18 yards. Only one man, R. R. Barber of Paulina, Iowa, has ever been able to take both the preliminary and the Grand American handicaps the same year.

Barber did it back in 1905. Thornborrow, a 5-foot-5, 134-pounder, who never before had won any trapshooting, was a r d picked up about \$5,000 Thursday as he used a second hand shotgun to defeat a field of 1,683 in his first attempt here.

Ted Williams Advances On Circuit List
BOSTON (AP)—Ted Williams has climbed another notch in the home record column.

Ted caught one of Bob Turley's fast balls Thursday night for his 31st major league homer as his Boston teammates lost to Baltimore, 5-2.

The blow, Ted's 24th of the year, tied him with Joe DiMaggio, the retired Yankee Clipper, in fifth place among the all-time home run producers. Lou Gehrig is fourth with 493.

Trabert Arrives At Turning Point

By GAYLE TALBOT

NEW YORK (AP)—There is a strong feeling in tennis circles that young Tony Trabert is about to reach the turning point of his career in the National Championships, which begin tomorrow at Forest Hills.

The expectation is that the defending champion either will win the event for the second time so decisively as to stamp him the world's greatest amateur without question, or will fall back into the ranks of those players who didn't quite have it. Nobody seems quite sure which it will be.

Since he crushed his countrymen, the young man from Cincinnati has been an authentic puzzle.

When he had a chance to win the Davis Cup in Australia on the third day of the Challenge Round at Melbourne, he succumbed to Lewis Hoad. That was his third defeat in four Challenge Round matches over a two-year period. Later, in the state championships at Adelaide when the heavy pressure was off, he trimmed Hoad decisively in straight sets.

A partial explanation offered for Tony's in-and-out play in recent months is that he has been troubled by blisters on his racket hand. But he did not have them when he was getting walloped in Australia.

Billy Trabert, who was Tony's original sponsor and doubles partner, said recently the youngster's only trouble was that he couldn't play quite as good tennis as he thought he could, and that he never would be a real standout until he quit mooning around and threw himself completely into the game.

We wouldn't be surprised if this hurt Tony, coming from his old friend, but it probably did him a lot of good too. If he knows now that he can't afford to be sensitive

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GOLF
DETROIT — Arnold Palmer, Ed Meister, Ted Lenzyk and Bob Sweeney advanced to the semifinals of the National Amateur.

TORONTO — Wally Ulrich of Rochester, Minn., took the second round lead in the \$26,500 tournament with a 65-65-130.

TRAPSHOOTING
VANDALIA, Ohio — Vern Thornborrow won the preliminary handicap at the Grand American shoot.

RACING
SARATOGA SPRINGS, N.Y. — King Commander (56) won the Saratoga Steeplechase Handicap at Saratoga.

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. — Chick Thompson (\$19,401) took the Jockey's Guild purse at Atlantic City.

CHICAGO — Super Devil (\$11,400) captured the Hurler's Purse at Washington Park.

DEL MAR, Calif. — Royal Grace (\$9,301) won the Escudillo Elks purse at Del Mar.

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