Sports Roundup—

Manager Starts From 'Scratch'

Everything Is Strange to Mayo, Toledo's New Skipper

By Eddie Ash
Times Sports Editor

EDDIE MAYO, the American Association's "newest new" manager, is coming into the league much like Al Lopez, the Indianapolis Indians' skipper. . . . Lopez never played in the AA before he took over the Tribe helm in 1948. . . . It also was his first venture as a pilot in any league. . . . Now Mayo is duplicating the Lopez routine . . . but he's unlikely to match Al's success in his first year as field chieftain of the Toledo Mud Hens. . . . Down from the Tigers, Eddie took over when Harry Leibold was forced to give up the reins in training camp just a few days ago. . . . The veteran Leibold's health failed and the club physician advised him to take the rest cure. . . . However, the Hens' parent club, the Tigers, will keep Harry on the payroll, he will receive all salary his Toledo 1949 contract called for, and will be assigned to scouting whenever he feels ready to return to work. . . . Although Mayo was in the AA at one time, on the Louisville roster, he never played a game. Detroit bought his contract before he was issued a Colonel uniform. . . . Mayo will start as a playing manager, at third base, until the Tigers round up more talent for the Mud Hens. . . . When the Bengals purchased the Toledo club from the St. Louis Browns, Mud Hen players were not included in the deal . . . just the franchise and real estate, ancient Swayne Field. . . . It's a large undertaking for both the Tigers and Mayo. . . . There is no great surplus of players in the Detroit training camp. . . . Mayo did his big minor league playing in the Pacific Coast and International loops and was with four major clubs . . . Giants, Braves, Athletics and Tigers. . . . He saw service in two World Series, with the Giants in 1936 and the Tigers in 1945. . . . Other new AA managers this year are Tommy Heath, Minneapolis; Bill Skiff, Kansas City, and Fred Walters, Louisville, all former catchers.

Eddie Mayo

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THE new president of the Leesburg baseball club of the Florida State League is Rose Haneless, a former overseas WAC. . . . With three other persons, Miss Haneless recently bought the franchise. . . . But Rose still is a woman. . . . She said, "I am not going to make baseball my career. I hope to get married when I find the right man." . . . So she appointed her brother, Lou, business manager.

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IN THE over-all American Hockey League regular season race, the Hershey Bears finished seventh . . . but second in the Eastern Division with fewer points than any of the Western Division's five clubs. . . . Yet Hershey has qualified to battle for the playoff championship . . . by dumping both Indianapolis and Cleveland. . . . Sometimes the craziest things happen in sports playoffs.

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THE Cincy Reds have a Howell and Howell battery this year . . . Millard, pitcher, and Homer, catcher. . . . Then there will be howling Tony Cuccinello on the coaching lines. . . . Tony turned in a fine job for Indianapolis last year but couldn't pass up a chance to return to the big show when the Reds made him an offer. . . . He used to play for the Queen City club.

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THE St. Paul Saints claim one of their rookies, Jim Pendleton, 23-year-old Negro infielder-outfielder, will be the fastest pastimer in the American Association this year. . . . Pendleton is making a strong bid to start as a regular. . . . After the Indians get some of their speed merchants back from Pittsburgh maybe a match race with Pendleton can be arranged. . . . However, managers frown on match sprints between ball players. . . . They fear that old debil, Charley Horse.

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BILL SWEIGER, pitcher, who turned in a fair job for the Indianapolis Indians against New Orleans the other night, played winter ball in the Canal Zone League and received top billing. . . . He was a consistent winner. . . . Sweiger was with the Indians last spring until in May. . . . Released to New Orleans, he refused to report. . . . The rangy righthander got himself suspended but the Indians lifted it after the regular season closed and Sweiger took off for the Canal Zone.

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ANSWER TO QUERY: The Indianapolis Indians sent Jim Bagby, pitcher, and Al Flair, first baseman, to Atlanta for cash and Red Mathis, catcher . . . after which Mathis was transferred to New Orleans. . . . Flair was with New Orleans last year. . . . It was a farm deal, arranged in the winter by the Pirates, parent club of both Indians and Pelicans. . . . Flair and Mathis saw no playing time with Indianapolis. . . . It was explained that Bagby asked to be sent to Atlanta, since he resides in Georgia. . . . It also was explained that the Pirate chain (mainly the Indianapolis link) was indebted to Atlanta because the Crackers had strings on Tom Saffell, outfielder. . . . Atlanta is an independent club. . . . The Crackers agreed to forget Saffell if they were given Flair and Bagby. . . . At any rate, Pirate scouts reported that Flair was overweight. . . . The Indians had no room for young Mathis.

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IN 1902, when the American Association was organized, Dr. George Leachman of Louisville was appointed the Colonels' club physician. . . . He's a rugged sawbones. . . . Dr. Leachman, now in his 70's, still is on the job and is beginning his 48th season. . . . The good doctor even called upon the Colonels recently in their Florida training camp.

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OFFICIALS of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway are unconcerned about the "time" controversy. . . . This year's 500-mile race will start at 10 a. m. central standard time, as usual. . . . That's what it says on the tickets. . . . But the Indianapolis baseball club feels a headache coming on. . . . The Indians' night games will start at 8:30. . . . All right, fast or slow time? . . . At any rate, it will be central standard time during the early part of the Indians' first home stand, starting Apr. 19. . . . In the event the city becomes divided on time policy, it's going to make it rough on amusement men.

Spartan Track Team 'Corners' Gold Watches

Times Special

EAST LANSING, Mich., Apr. 2—The undefeated Michigan State track team has just about cornered the gold watch market.

Eleven members of the IC4A indoor championship squad participated in the recent Purdue Relays and brought home 13 gold watches given to first place winners. Every man won at least one, while Warren Druetzler and Bill Mack won two apiece.

Hoosier Opponent

HAMLINE, Minn., Apr. 2 (UP)—A Hoosier was a member today of Hamline University's all-opponent basketball squad. The Indiana collegian was Forward Bob Metcalfe, Valparaiso, who was chosen on the second team.

Keepers Of Country Club Green Pastures All Set For Business

WAYNE TIMBERMAN, Meridian Hills . . . Two-time winner of the state PGA, Timberman is in his ninth year at Meridian Hills after spending 15 years at the Terre Haute Country Club.

NOEL EPPERSON, Broadmoor . . . Successor to the late George Souter, Epperson is starting his initial year at Broadmoor. Winner of the 1947 state OPEN, he was at Wawasee 15 years.

MILT BOATMAN, Lake Shore . . . Probably the oldest of the country club pros, 66-year-old Milt has been at Lake Shore since 1940. Prior to that he was at Indian Lake.

LOU BOLA, Highland . . . Lou is starting his fourth year of a return engagement at Highland. He was out of the golf business for several years after one five-year hitch there.

GIL GIVIDEN, Woodstock (left) . . . Naval veteran Gividen has four years of service at Woodstock and four years service in the Navy. He started at the club in 1940. In the inset is MARION SMITH, Indianapolis Country Club. Winner of the 1936 State Open, Marion is starting his fifth year with the ICC. At the right is TOMMY VAUGHN, Hillcrest. Vaughn is starting his first year as a country club pro after 17 years at Pleasant Run municipal course. Tommy was wounded while serving with the Army from 1942 to 1945.

Junior Mat Prospect To Debut Here Tuesday

A junior heavyweight mat prospect, Tom Bradley, of Peoria, Ill., will make his debut here in the Armory ring net Tuesday night.

Bradley has been signed to face Tommy Martindale of Milwaukee in the opening match.

The headliner will be a team struggle with George Dusette, a French-Canadian, and Billy Fox of Cleveland, pitted against "Iron Mike" Angelo of Toledo and Ali Pasha, the Hindu.

The Staff Reports

SPEEDWAY'S first robin, Johnny Moore of the Firestone Tire and Rubber Co., is on the scene and that makes the opening of Gasoline Alley official.

Johnny, toting a Florida and California suntan, will be aided again by his assistant, Bill McCreary of Indianapolis, the former Manual cheerleader. Crewmen returning to the Firestone shed this season are Pete Hendricks, Curly McCall, Bob Cassidy and Bert Kernodle.

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THE RUBBER gas tanks will be sported again in most 500-Mile cars. The fuel capacity of the Novi team has been upped from 87 gallons to 115, a nifty feature for drivers Rex Mays and Duke Nalon who will be able to travel faster, longer.

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THE NEW racing machine Nat Rounds of Beverly Hills, Cal. has entered was built by Emil Diedt, who also built the chassis for the Blue Crown Specials. Billy Taylor, who will drive for Rounds, is a protege of Babe Stapp, former 500-Mile veteran.

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STILL another new machine is the one Gil Pierson is building out West. It will combine the looks of the Novi cars and the power of the Blue Crowns.

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RACE CAR owners trade off and sell machines like old clothes. Anthony Granatelli of Chicago sold two of his four cars after the '48 race. Milt Marion bought the Kurtis-Kraft and Lou Bromme took over the Maserati, which Hot-Rod Jim Rathman is due to drive. The Granatelli name will be carried on the Offy that Dick Frazier will drive. The final Grancor entry, a Ford with air-scoops, will be Anthony's only worry for this year's classic. This, also, should reduce his garage crew from 17 to about four.

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Scuttlebutts

Madison's Ray Eddy may give up the coaching reins after 10 brilliant years at the Ohio River high school. He might move in as an area manager for a rubber company around the Ohio River precincts. Maybe a juicy bid from an upstanding college club could change his mind? He's only 37 with 15 years of grade A coaching behind him.

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Lee Barnhorst of Notre Dame and Indianapolis is reported bending an ear toward the Phillips Oilers 66, the "amateur" team with the fat expense account. He's a junior.

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Assistant Commissioner Bob Hinshaw says 675 field goal attempts were recorded during the final 15 games of the state basketball tournament. Of that number, only 73 were attempted with two hands. In the championship game, the statisticians reportedly turned in only three field goal attempts with two hands.

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ATHLETES at Shortridge must watch their slanguage now. Any athlete heard to pronounce the words "sweet," "luscious," "cream," or who uses any of several non-flattering verbal addresses must contribute 10 cents to what Athletic Director Bob Nipper calls the "swear box."

The "swear box" is nothing more than an empty chalk box nailed on the office wall. It now contains $2.

Proceeds will go to purchase a medal for the athlete whose language and behavior exemplifies the model athlete.

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IHSAA Commissioner L. V. Phillips presented figures Friday night showing the scope of Indiana High School sports. It is interesting to note how many boys are affected by the athletic program in the state school system.

Sport	No. of Schools	No. of Boys
Basketball	768	25,000
Football	177	11,000
Track	510	11,000
Baseball	468	10,000
Wrestling	24	650
Softball	350	*9000
Cross Country	143	2500
Golf	42	800
Tennis	60	800
Swimming	12	300

Fight Group Denounces Film as 'Distorted'

WASHINGTON, Apr. 2 (UP)—The National Boxing Association's executive committee tonight denounced the motion picture "The Set-Up", calling it a "distorted" portrayal of the boxing game.

"The Set-Up" tells the story of a middle-aged boxer who is involved in a "fixed" fight by his manager's dealings with a gambling syndicate.

Amateur, Independent, Semi-Pro Baseball

Ben Lady, new manager of the Moore Mortuaries team in the City League, has scheduled a workout for today at 1 p. m. at Brookside No. 1. Knute Dobkins, Leroy Compton, Red Berry, Joe Lease and Joe Kearns are asked to report.

The Moore nine wants to schedule a road game for next Sunday. Telephone Ben Lady, BLackstone 6593.

Edinburg American Legion Post 233 wants to schedule Sunday games to be played in Edinburg. Write Ed Vogel, R. R. 5, Box 399, Franklin, Ind.

South Side Saints of the Municipal League will work out today at Garfield No. 3 at 2 p. m. Following players are asked to report: Price, Ott, Bursler, Kriner, Buchanan, Ratcliffe, Blackburn, Frey, Doyle, Pritchard, Keith, Ray, Viewegh, Kaiser, Critchfield, Mennel, Keene, Smith, Mercer, Ruckelshaus, Males, Martz, Skiles and any tryouts.

For pre-season games with the Saints, telephone Manager Buck Adams, GArfield 6611.

Tryouts are welcome at the DeWolf News practice session today, 1:30 p. m., on Riverside No. 4.

The Boughton Excavating team will practice today, 2:30 p. m. at Riverside.

Ferris Food Market has scheduled a workout today at Riverside No. 5, 1:30 p. m.

Seek to Stimulate Interest In 'Minor' Sports Program

A recreational guidance program, designed to stimulate and co-ordinate further interest in bowling, casting, golf and table tennis throughout the local and area high schools, will get underway at Warren Central High School this week, Athletic Director Ralph Clevenger has announced.

The program is in charge of the student guidance committee headed by Ernie Miedema, chairman, and the school's athletic faculty. Lectures, classroom discussions and demonstrations are scheduled for home room periods each day next week.

In charge of the activities will be Jess Pritchett and Jerry O'Grady, city bowling proprietors; Fred Keesling, golf authority; Jim McClure, world-famous table tennis champion, and Charles Sutphin, National A. A. U. casting standout.

Schedule for the program follows: Tomorrow—casting; Tuesday—bowling; Wednesday—table tennis; Thursday—bowling, and Friday—golf.

Student leaders taking part include Duane Bruhn, horseshoes; Richard Deer, badminton; Delores Gumberts and Alan Miedema, table tennis; Harry McClintic, volleyball; Ed Wieland, tennis; Ernie Miedema and Barbara Blowers, golf; Herb Rosemeyer, American Legion baseball; Bob Jordan and Claudette Wise, bowling; David McClure, casting; Bob Coates, Boy Scouts; Pat Shockley, Girl Scouts; Kenny Schrigley, YMCA, and Donna Thompson and Marilyn Buckner, recreation.

3 Records Fall In Texas Relays

AUSTIN, Tex., Apr. 2 (UP)—Three long-standing records were smashed today as the survivors from a field of more than 1100 athletes wound up the 22d annual Texas Relays before a crowd of 9000 in the University of Texas' Memorial Stadium.

Oklahoma A & M wrested the unofficial university class team championship away from the host University of Texas squad by scoring 26 points to Texas' 23. Texas A & M garnered 17 points. Oklahoma 16½, Rice 15½, Nebraska 14½ and Kansas State 11.

George Rasmussen of Oregon shattered a vaulting record that had stood since 1942 when he pushed himself over the crossbar at 14 feet 2¼ inches.

East Texas State's fast-moving sprinters clipped four-tenths of a second off the college class sprint medley relay record of 3:28.3 set by Loyola of Chicago in 1941.

Darrow Hooper, national scholastic shot put champion from Ft. Worth North Side High School, failed to best his national mark of 59 feet 10⅛ inches, but hit the 59 feet 5½ inch mark to break the meet record of 59 feet ½ inch.

Notice

ICE SKATING CLUB MEMBERS

Final Sessions

Zephyr Club—Today, 2:30 to 5
Figure Club—Today, 9 to 11 A.M.
Winter Club—Today, 11:30 A.M. to 1:30 P. M.
Allison-Mallory Club—Tomorrow, 8:15 to 10:30 P. M.

Persons having skates in storage at shop, please claim before tonight.

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Young Ann, a pupil at school 70, and the daughter of Municipal Court Judge and Mrs. Harry Champ, has been swimming since she was six and has been able to swim distances which terrify the beach loungers almost as long as she can remember.

Coached by Mrs. Thelma Willis until last year, the pretty little paddler has been in competitive swimming since 1946. She is now a protege of Purdue Coach Dick Papenguth.

In 1947 Ann was city and state champion breast stroker in her age group. Last year she was city back stroke champ in her age group and won third place in a National Junior 400-meter free style event.

Municipal Court Judge's Daughter

Last February, young Miss Champ took second in the National Junior 100-yard backstroke in St. Louis, and in the state AAU Women's 440-yard freestyle she was third.

In the recent Midwestern junior meet for boys and girls 14 years and under, Ann emerged the only triple winner. She took firsts in the 150-yard individual medley, 100-yard freestyle and the 100-yard backstroke.

Another Trophy

In the State AAU Women's meet she also was a member of the relay team winning second in the 400-yard freestyle. For that she received a trophy for being the high point getter of the meet.

Ann's name should soon be synonymous with her accomplishments. After all she is only 13.

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