

Yanks Lead Tigers By One Game

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If Casey Stengel fell into a city sewer he would probably come up owning an oil well.

The pucky pilot of the New York Yankees, who incidentally owns several oil wells, is one of the canniest managers in the business. He also is a great guy for hunches.

Hunches that clicked helped the Yankees sweep a doubleheader from Cleveland yesterday and boost them to the top in the seething American league race.

The Yankees needed some clutch hitting by Johnny Miz, Phil Rizzuto and Tommy Henrich. The fine pitching of Tom Ferrick and Ed Lopat also played a large part in the 4-3 and 3-0 victories that gave them a one-game lead over the Detroit Tigers.

But if Casey hadn't followed his hunches those things might never have happened.

Until an hour before play began, Stengel wasn't sure whether he was going to play Mize at first base. Then Stengel recalled that Mize had hit a couple of homers off Bob Feller, who was due to pitch for Cleveland in the opener. All the former Giant slugger did was slam a pair of homers, one in each game. He also collected two singles and drew the walk in the eighth inning that eventually turned out to be the winning run.

Hunch No. 2 came in the eighth inning of the first game. Eddie Ford, the little lefthander, was shaken up in a collision with Cleveland's Luke Easter.

Stengel thought Ford was favoring his right side. He promptly replaced Ford with Tom Ferrick.

The veteran reliever proceeded to stop the Indians cool the rest of the way as the Yankees broke a 3-3 tie in their half of the eighth.

Hunch No. 3 came in the same bottom half of the eighth. Mize had walked. Stengel sent in Joe Collins as a pinch runner. After Hank Bauer flew out, Collins stole second. That necessitated an intentional pass to set up a possible double play. Casey sent in Henrich as a pinch hitter, and he singled to score Collins with the winning run.

Stengel didn't need to resort to hunches in the second game as Eddie Lopat throttled the Tribe with six singles. It was Lopat's fifth straight over Cleveland this season.

The Yanks one game margin was accomplished when Washington's Senators held the slumping Philadelphia's pennant-hungry Phillies increased their lead in the National to six and a half games over Brooklyn. The Phils rallied for three runs in the ninth to come from behind and nip the St. Louis Cardinals, 9-8. Dick Whitman's pinch double with the bases loaded and Jimmy Bloodworth's scoring fly produced the three runs. Jim Konstanty, in his 50th relief appearance, was credited with his 13th victory.

The Chicago Cubs downed the Dodgers, 6-5.

Vern Bickford coasted to his 17th triumph as the Boston Braves pounded out a 9-4 win over Cincinnati.

Sal Maglie pitched the New York Giants to a five-hit, 4-0 shut-out over Pittsburgh. It was his eighth straight and his 13th victory against three defeats.

The St. Louis Browns shoved the Philadelphia Athletics into the American league cellar by taking both ends of their doubleheader, 2-1 and 7-6.

SPORTS

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Payne-Kahut Fight Called 'No Contest'

SPOKANE — (AP)—An athletic commissioner's decision nullified a knock-out half hour after it was scored here last night by Rusty Payne of San Diego over Joe Kahut, the Woodburn, Ore., farmer.

The official action, taken because of a misunderstanding, was announced by Commissioner William Hopkins at a press conference after unhappy fans had booed the kayo and gone home thinking Payne had won two minutes and 14 seconds after the third round started.

Hopkins ruled that Payne had not been instructed to go to his corner after a semi-knockdown had been scored and that Kahut was hit with the knockout blow while legally down.

He said the matter was unfortunate that neither fighter was at fault. Purses were not held up.

Payne was slightly behind on points when he landed a smashing right. Kahut landed against the ropes, his seat on the bottom rope and his head and arms outside. Referee Bob Oliver started the count as Payne stepped back but Payne did not return to a neutral corner.

Payne then landed the lethal punch as Kahut got his head and shoulders back into the ring but before Kahut got off the rope. Kahut dropped for the count, the crowd booed and Payne was declared the winner.

Then Hopkins intervened, declaring the final punch "legal" but because of the circumstances the match was "no contest."

Payne weighed 182, Kahut 186.

W. I. L. SCORES

By The Associated Press	W	L	Pct.
Tacoma	84	50	.627
Yakima	85	62	.578
Tri-City	73	62	.541
Wenatchee	72	64	.529
Vancouver	57	76	.429
Victoria	59	79	.428
Spokane	36	78	.418
Salem	55	80	.407

LAST NIGHT'S RESULTS

Yakima 3 Tacoma 2 (14 innings)
Spokane 4 Tri-City 0
Vancouver 8 Victoria 4
Wenatchee 8 Salem 6

Linde Has Best Batting Average Of Umpqua Chiefs

Chiefs Batting Averages	AB	R	H	RBI	Pct.
Linde	61	16	23	12	.377
Ritchey	47	5	17	13	.346
Schmeck	12	1	4	4	.333
Hill	23	3	7	8	.304
Baker	131	24	39	15	.294
Kirkpatrick	35	7	10	6	.285
Sporer	80	9	22	9	.275
Kotnick	29	4	5	3	.250
V. Sanders	87	23	21	6	.241
G. Sanders	10	25	12	10	.217
B. Sanders	25	4	5	3	.200
Cornutt	13	0	2	1	.150
Debernardi	15	6	9	1	.138
Ayers	38	0	5	5	.135

John Linde posted the highest Chief batting average by cracking out 23 hits in 61 times at bat for a healthy .377. Also in the favored 300 group is Norvall Ritchey, Ronnie Schmeck and Bunky Hill. Ritchey is the only regular left on the team who batted .300 or better. Schmeck has gone back to California and Hill is used only as a pinch hitter.

Leading the team in long hitting is George Sanders who walloped three home runs. Linde picked up two triples and four doubles and Baker has six doubles to lead that department. Bob Sanders has three doubles.

The batting averages are up to and including the last Central Point game, which Roseburg lost, 1-0.

Baseball Playoffs To Begin Sept. 3

The Southern Oregon Baseball league Schuaghnessy playoff will begin Sept. 3 with the top four teams, Central Point, Roseburg, Brookings and Ashland competing.

On Sunday, Roseburg will play Ashland on the Roseburg field and Central Point will play Brookings on the former's home field. The winners of these two games will play each other on Monday to decide the playoff winners.

At the end of league play, Central Point was in first place with 13 wins and 1 loss and Roseburg was in second with 11 wins and 3 losses. Brookings and Ashland tied for third with 8 wins and 6 losses.

MANNERS BEAUTY WINS

SEATTLE — (AP)—Manners Beauty, a horse the bettors apparently overlooked in seeking a favorite, won the six furlong feature race at Longacres yesterday. The winning time was 1:11 and the payoff \$17.80 on the nose. Big Sale was second and Our Judy third.

Padres Defeat Beavers Again

By The Associated Press

There's just no beating the home run as a lethal weapon. The Pacific Coast league here that out last night as:

1. Harry Simpson clouted his 28th and 29th homers—the latter with bases loaded—to pace San Diego to a twin win over Portland, 5-2, 8-2.

2. Neil Sheridan slammed a three-run homer to give San Francisco a 7-6 verdict over Oakland, cutting the Aconrs' league lead to four games over spurting San Diego.

3. Seattle's George Vico clouted one over the fence with one on to edge Sacramento, 2-1.

The only game not decided by a circuit clout was Los Angeles' 3-0 conquest of Hollywood.

Harry the Satchel put on another one of his typical Simpson shows. He tripled and singled in the first game, then poled a double and two homers in the finale. Altogether he drove in six runs and scored four. His home run total is now just one behind league-leading Joe Brovia of Portland.

Jaek Graham and Merrill Combs also homered for the Padres, who received a pair of four-hit pitching jobs from Roy Welmaker and Al Olsen. Olsen fanned nine in notching his 18th win.

Sheridan's blow came as a pinch hitter in the ninth and gave the Seals a 7-4 cushion. It proved necessary as the Oaks surged back for two runs in their half. Brooks holder also lost one for the Seals. Chet Johnson got the win over Ernie Groh.

Seattle reliever Denny Galehouse was the beneficiary of Vico's clout which came in the eighth after Marv Rackey had singled. It wiped out Sacramento's 1-0 lead and saddled hard-luck Bill Evans with his 18th defeat. (He's won 11.)

Bob Mumcrif, with the aid of fancy fielding, handed Hollywood his third straight shutout on a diet of the Stars' goose-egg string to 30 innings. By winning the Angels clinched the city title, having taken 15 of 23 games, with five yet to play.

RESPONSIVE GROUP

RIPON, Wis. — (AP)—Coach Norman (Red) Strader calls his New York Yanks club the "most responsive" he's ever coached, saying the players absorb work and play faster than any other group he's ever handled. Most of the players had worked out for a month or more at home before reporting.

ONTARIO COACH NAMED

ONTARIO, Ore. — (AP)—George Bateman, former freshman track coach at the University of Colorado, has been named Ontario high school track coach.

COAST LEAGUE

By The Associated Press	W	L	Pct.
Oakland	85	43	.661
San Diego	81	67	.576
Hollywood	84	74	.532
Seattle	82	76	.519
San Francisco	77	80	.490
Portland	70	85	.452
Los Angeles	70	86	.449
Sacramento	60	98	.380

YESTERDAY'S SCORES

San Francisco 7 Oakland 6
San Diego 5-8 Portland 2-2
Los Angeles 3 Hollywood 0
Seattle 2 Sacramento 1

OSC Grid Squad To Scrimmage At First Meet

CORVALLIS — (AP)—Oregon State's football squad will report Friday — and Coach Kip Taylor said he had cautioned the candidates to be in shape for scrimmaging the first day.

The Beavers have only three weeks in which to prepare for the first game, against Michigan State at East Lansing on Sept. 23. OSC won 25-20 in an upset last year.

Twenty-one lettermen will be in the group of about 60 candidates for the team, but Taylor said replacement of Ken Carpenter and Dick Twenge in the backfield would be the big problem.

Two expected to make the strongest bid for Carpenter's berth at left half are Gene Taft, transfer from Taft, Calif., junior college, and Jack Hoxie, letterman reserve. Tweng's fullback position may be taken by Sam Baker, 1948 freshman star, or Bud Woodward, transfer from Long Beach, Calif., junior college.

Walla Walla Pair Win Pro-Amateur

CLARKSTON — (AP)—A Walla Walla pair chopped 13 strokes off par to win the 1950 Northwest PGA pro-amateur golf crown and nose out several other better-known playing clubs.

The winners were professional Buck Kinsfather and amateur Ed Fiddes. They completed the 36-hole best ball tournament in 131 strokes. They toured the first 18 in 65 and came back in 66. Kinsfather won \$250 in cash; Fiddes received merchandise.

Frank Newell and his amateur sidekick, Jack Walters, Tacoma, took second money-merchandise with 132.

Two teams tied for third at 133. They were pro Al Zimmerman and Harold Salvador, Portland, and John Rudy and Morgan Barofsky, Tacoma.

Four teams had 134 for fourth position ties and five other pairs deadlocked at 135. These latter included pro Ray Honsberger, Klammath Falls, Ore., and Bob Lyons, Spokane.

In The Majors

By The Associated Press	W	L	Pct.
Philadelphia	78	47	.623
Brooklyn	68	50	.578
Boston	68	53	.562
St. Louis	65	57	.533
New York	64	57	.529
Chicago	54	70	.435
Cincinnati	49	73	.402
Pittsburgh	42	81	.341

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Philadelphia 9 St. Louis 8
Chicago 6 Brooklyn 5
New York 4 Pittsburgh 0
Boston 9 Cincinnati 4

AMERICAN LEAGUE

By The Associated Press	W	L	Pct.
New York	79	46	.632
Detroit	77	46	.626
Boston	77	49	.611
Cleveland	76	51	.598
Washington	55	68	.447
Chicago	50	76	.397
St. Louis	42	80	.344
Philadelphia	43	83	.341

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

New York 4-3 Cleveland 3-0
Washington 3-8 Detroit 2-10
St. Louis 2-7 Philadelphia 1-6
Boston 6 Chicago 1.

Joe Louis May Clean Up Foes

NEW YORK — (AP)—If Joe Louis still has the old "it," look for the Brown Bomber to do another cleanup job on the heavyweights.

"This time there won't be any pieces around for anybody to pick up. It's a big 'if,' though."

"If I win and fight again," said Joe as he arrived to set up training quarters at Pompton Lakes, N. J., "I want to do it quick. In December, or January at the latest."

The "unretired" heavyweight champion's first and biggest test comes against Erzzard Charles, the NBA heavyweight boss, in Yankee Stadium Sept. 27.

If, and here we go again, Joe can get by Charles, then he can get past anybody in the heavyweight league today.

That would bring him up against Lee Savold, the Englewood, N. J., veteran who is recognized in Britain and Europe, as the king of them all, the Rocky Marciano, the Roland La Starzas, the Cesar Brions, and you name 'em.

Joe is in hock for around \$200,000 to Uncle Sam for income tax. A single fight with Charles wouldn't take him out of the financial woods.

So it would be logical for Louis to start another one of those "bum of the month" campaigns that kept him active and prosperous in '40 and '41. That would be fine for Joe. But the heavyweight situation would be in a worse mess than ever.

Lawyer Advances To 3rd Round In Tennis Tourney

FOREST HILLS, N. Y. — (AP)—Tom Brown, a San Francisco lawyer, advanced to the third round of the national tennis championships yesterday. "Last year, I said I wasn't going to play any more," he commented. "But here I am back again and on the Davis cup team, too."

Detroit's Ace Pitcher Called For Draft Exam

DETROIT — (AP)—Young Art Houtteman, league-leading Detroit's ace pitcher, has been ordered by his draft board to report Saturday for a pre-induction physical examination.

General Manager Billy Evans of the Detroit Tigers confirmed Houtteman's summons by the draft board.

Evans said Houtteman was to have reported last Monday, but was out of town when the notice arrived. His appearance was postponed until the Tigers complete their eastern road trip.

BIG RACKET?

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — (AP)—What would happen, University of Florida tennis coach Harry Fogelman wonders, if his players took the court with rackets four feet long and three feet across?

He can't find any rule that says it is illegal to have a racket that size—or any other size.

Another thing Fogelman noted when he checked over rules of the American Lawn Tennis Association and most major college conferences: no official value is given a match in dual meets.

Apparently only common practice has established that each singles and doubles match counts one point.



LITTLE LEAGUERS—Billy Martin, 12, of Houston, Texas, is hoisted up on the shoulders of his teammates after pitching a one-hitter to defeat the Lads from Bridgeport, Conn., 2-1, in the finals of the Little League Baseball World Series, played in Williamsport, Pa. All the players are under 13 years of age.

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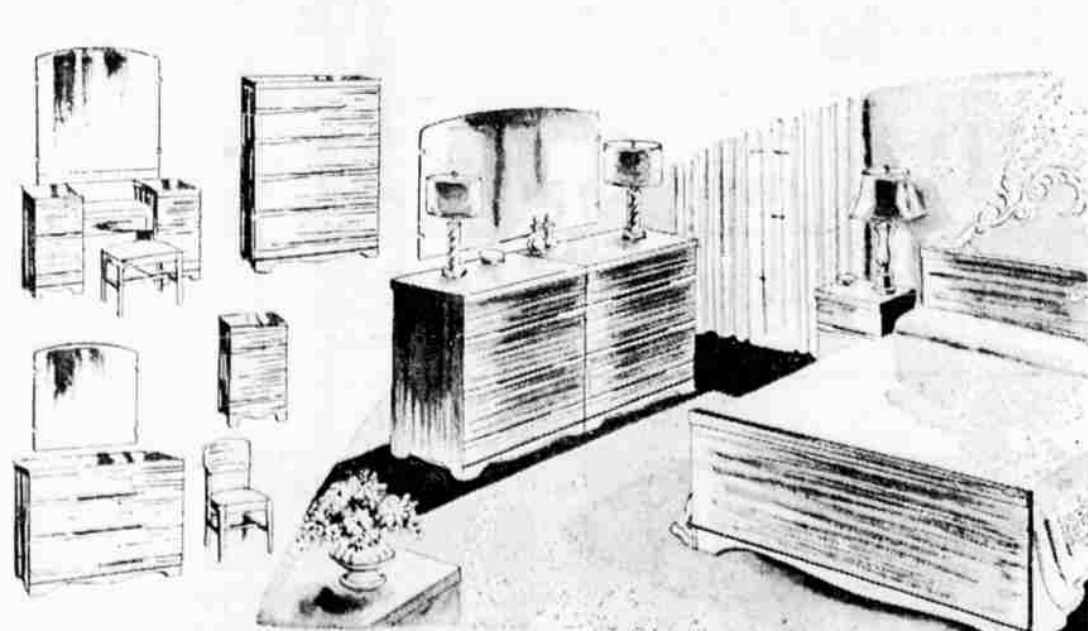
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