

Twins, White Sox Win By Shutouts

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Who has stolen the home run thunder from the bats of the American League's sluggers? Was it the rules committee with its new strike zone regulation? Maybe the manufacturers have taken some of the rabbit out of the ball? Or perhaps the pitchers are getting away with that old devil the spitball?

Whatever the reason, the pitchers have been having a ball at the expense of the hitters during the first two weeks of the campaign.

The figures show that there have been nine shutouts pitched and only 59 homers hit in the AL's first 35 games. At such a pace over the entire season the pitchers would accumulate 180 shutouts—far more than the league record of 146 set in 1909 and considerably above the major league record of 163 in one league set by the National League in 1908.

Also, a mere 59 homers in 35 games represents a 13 per cent decrease in homer output from 1962 when AL sluggers hit 1552 in 810 games.

There were only two games played in the American League Thursday and both resulted in shutouts. Dick Stigman pitched the first major league shutout of his career to give the Minnesota Twins a 3-0 win over the Los Angeles Angels and Ray Herbert tossed a three-hitter as the Chicago White Sox beat the Kansas City Athletics, 3-0.

Two homers were hit—one by the Twins' Earl Battey and another by the White Sox' Dave Nicholson.

Stigman, a 27-year-old lefty in his fourth big league season, gave up scratch singles to Lee Thomas and Albie Pearson and a solid double to Jim Fregosi. He struck out five and walked only one.

Herbert, a 20-game winner last season, struck out five and walked only one in posting his first win of 1963. Floyd Robinson scored the first two White Sox runs after a single and a double and Nicholson homered in the seventh for their final run. Nelson Fox singled for the Sox' fourth hit—the 2,400th hit of the little second-baseman's career.



SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS' Felipe Alou is forced at third base in the fifth inning of the Giants game with the Houston Colt-45's Thursday. Alou tried for third on teammate Tom Haller's grounder that was hit to pitcher Russ Kemmerer. Kemmerer threw to Bob Aspromonte in time to get Alou. Calling the play is umpire Shag Crawford. The Giants, behind Jack Sanford, won 6-3. (UPI Telephoto).

Jack Sanford Wins Third Straight Game; Milwaukee Keeps Slim First Place Lead



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Fuzzy-Cheeked Youngsters Lead Houston Golf Classic

HOUSTON (UPI) — A trio of fuzzy-cheeked youngsters, whose average age is little more than 23 years, defended their top three spots today against a field of 158 in the second round of the \$50,000 Houston Golf Classic.

Tommy Aaron, a 28-year-old Georgia boy, went to the top of

the heap Thursday with a 6-under par 64. Jack Nicklaus, 23, took second with a 65 and amateur Kermit Zarley, a mere 21, was third with a 66.

Following with 67s were Bob Charles of Saratoga, Fla.; Jack Fleck of Los Angeles, Calif.; Jerry Steelsmith of Glendale, Calif., and Charles Sifford of Los Angeles.

Most of the golfers claim that the 7,200-yard memorial course is in the best condition ever and a new tournament record may be set this year.

This is borne out by Thursday's scores when 15 golfers broke par and another 14 tied it. Much to the delight of the estimated crowd of 18,000 — an opening day record.

Aaron's score of 64 was one over the tournament record of 63 set by Jerry Barber in 1955. Barber went on to lose the Classic that year to Mike Souchak, who also set a record — for 72 holes with a 273, which still stands.

Aaron said his putting was the big reason for Thursday's 64. His putts included a 35-footer.

Nicklaus said the course was playing well and Thursday's gusty 20-mile an hour winds were helping his high drives. The former Ohio State player had six birdies on the first nine holes for a 30, which tied the record. He then tapered off to a par 35 on the back nine. He said he was "satisfied" with his game.

Zarley, the University of Houston's national collegiate champ, who walked away with the All-American College Invitational last week in Houston, missed a two-foot putt on the 18th hole Thursday that would have tied Nicklaus.

Jack Sanford says he'll "hold the cotton pickin' ball" for five minutes between pitches if National League umpires insist on calling so many balks.

That'll be okay with NL hitters if the big San Francisco pitcher carries out his threat. In fact, should be an improvement as far as the batters are concerned because he's become the "Mr. Invincible" of the league.

Sanford reeled off his third victory in the row for 1963 Thursday when the Giants beat the Houston Colt-45s, 6-3, and now has won 21 of his last 22 decisions in NL competition. The 200-pound native of Wellesley, Mass., won 18 of his last 19 decisions in 1962, including 16 in a row between June 17 and Sept. 15.

Sanford blew his top after the game because of two balks called against him, but he didn't lose control of himself or his stuff during the game. He merely coasted behind a 12-hit attack that earned the Giants their sixth victory in eight games.

The Milwaukee Braves retained their half-game hold on first place when they beat the Philadelphia Phillies, 6-5, the Pittsburgh Pirates shaded the St. Louis Cardinals, 3-2, and the Chicago Cubs scored a 5-1 victory over the Los Angeles Dodgers in other National League games.

The Minnesota Twins shut out the Los Angeles Angels, 3-0, and the Chicago White Sox defeated the Kansas City Athletics, 3-0, in the only American League action.

Sanford, 24-7 in 1962, yielded five hits and struck out four. Howie Goss drove in all three Houston runs with a two-run homer and a single but his one-man attempt couldn't overcome a San Francisco attack led by three hits each by Willie Mays, Willie McCovey and Felipe Alou.

Ex-Boston Red Sox rookie of the year Don Schwall gained a victory in his National League debut for the Pirates when Bill Virdon singled in the winning run in the ninth. Schwall retired with an upset stomach after eight innings but Elroy Face protected the one-run lead in the ninth. Ken Boyer homered for the Cardinals and Stan Musial doubled bringing him to within one extra base hit of Babe Ruth's major league record.

Glen Hobbie, aided by Don Elston's ninth-inning relief, beat the Dodgers for the first time in three years and only the fifth time in his career when three Dodger errors treated the Cubs to three unearned runs. Don Drysdale, 25-game winner and Cy Young Award winner in 1962, suffered his first loss of 1963 after two wins.

Paul Hornung, Alex Karras Ruled Out Of NFL '63 Play

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NEW YORK (UPI)—Only one thing was certain today in the wake of the National Football League's betting scandal:

Paul Hornung, the "golden boy" of the Green Bay Packers, and all-pro tackle Alex Karras of the Detroit Lions will not play in 1963.

Whether or not they will play in 1964 or ever depends on their behavior, according to Commissioner Pete Rozelle, but from there on in, for all intents and purposes the investigations into betting by players, which were triggered in January, are over.

That's the official line from the NFL today after an exhaustive study which failed to show anything more than that Hornung, Karras and four other members of the Detroit Lions made wagers on the outcome of regular NFL games betting on their own teams or on games in which they were not involved.

However, there is reason to believe that the matter will not die there as indicated. It's too early to assess fan reaction, but early samplings show most fans were shocked at the severity of Hornung and Karras' punishment. Most league officials, including general manager and coach Vince Lombardi of the Packers, agreed that Rozelle had no other alternative but to suspend Hornung, the league's greatest play-

er, and Karras. Other officials, inside and outside of the sport, seemed to feel the same way, claiming that there was a definite breach of contract by the two players, and inasmuch as the sport depends on public patronage for its existence the players had to be suspended.

There are indications, too, that the Senate subcommittee headed by John L. McClellan, D-Ark., may call for a comprehensive report on the entire investigation by Rozelle as part of its inquiry into gambling and reported fixing in football and other sports.

Whether or not such an inquiry would involve the calling of witnesses is problematical. If, however, Hornung, Karras et al were called in then they would have to testify under oath. In the NFL inquiry they were simply called in by Rozelle, confronted with evidence and then admitted they had bet on games.

Hornung's genuine regret and honest admission that he had made a "terrible mistake" by betting on games more than likely gained him a point toward reinstatement. Karras, on the other hand, first hedged and then admitted he, too, had wagered on some games, but angrily snapped that as far as he was concerned "this thing isn't over yet. I am going to protest" the suspension.

Gets Good Offer
Ironically, Karras already has been made a \$40,000 offer to engage in a series of wrestling matches, and more than likely will agree. He wrestled once before under the name of "Killer Karras" and, because unlike Hornung who has invested his money wisely, Alex needs an income while on the football shelf.

Hornung, who was paid \$30,000 last year by the Packers, and picked up additional money from testimonials, television commercials and personal appearances, has funds invested in several business and sports promotions.

Karras is a partner in a bar in Detroit where he works in the off-season. However, since he does not earn the money Hornung does, Alex must find another source of income during his suspension.

"Alex could make more money in wrestling than he ever could in professional football," said Detroit promoter John Dyle. "This suspension will make him more popular than ever because he received such harsh treatment. Fans will turn out to see him wrestle."

No date has been set for review of Hornung's and Karras' cases. Rozelle said he will stand on his previous statement that "the earliest possible consideration for opening the cases can not be given until at least 1964."

In The Majors

Major League Standings By United Press International

American League

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Detroit	5	2	.714	
Kansas City	4	3	.571	1
New York	4	3	.571	1
Baltimore	4	3	.571	1
Cleveland	3	3	.500	1 1/2
Chicago	3	3	.500	1 1/2
Los Angeles	3	4	.429	2
Boston	3	4	.429	2
Minnesota	3	5	.375	2 1/2
Washington	2	4	.333	2 1/2

Thursday's Results

Chicago 3 Kansas City 0
Minnesota 3 Los Angeles 0
(Only games scheduled)

Friday's Probable Pitchers

Los Angeles at Kansas City (2, two-inning) — Bellamy (0-1) and Turley (0-1) vs. Wickersham (1-0) and Segui (0-1).

Detroit at Boston (2, morning-afternoon) — Lary (0-0) and Regan (1-0) vs. Conley (0-0) and Delock (0-1).

Minnesota at Chicago (night) — Pascual (0-2) vs. Pizarro (0-0).

Cleveland at Baltimore (night) — Ramos (0-1) vs. Pappas (1-0).

New York at Washington (night) — Williams (1-0) vs. Quirk (0-0).

National League

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Milwaukee	7	2	.778	
San Francisco	6	2	.750	1 1/2
St. Louis	5	3	.625	1 1/2
Pittsburgh	5	3	.625	1 1/2
Philadelphia	4	4	.500	2 1/2
Chicago	4	4	.500	2 1/2
Los Angeles	4	5	.444	3
Cincinnati	3	4	.429	3
Houston	3	6	.333	4
New York	0	8	.000	6 1/2

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