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Sidney Franklin Plans Bullfights

DAROSA, Spain, Aug. 9 (UP)—Sidney Franklin of Brooklyn is going home soon to promote a series of 48 bull-fights in New York's Madison Square Garden, he insisted today after his arrival from Lisbon, Portugal. He didn't say how he expects to circumvent laws against bullfights in the United States.

No Upsets so Far In Grass Court Tennis Meet

RYE, N. Y., Aug. 9 (UP)—There was hardly an upset to be found today in the 19th annual eastern grass court tennis championships after a first round in which favorites won about as they pleased.

Defending champions Billy Talbert of Wilmington, Del., in the men's division and Louise Brough of Beverly Hills, Calif., in the women's led seeded players into the second round.

Talbert takes on J. Gilbert Hall of New York and Miss Brough opposes Gertrude Moran of Santa Monica, Calif., today in the feature second round matches.

Other second round matches involving seeded players in the men's division found Francisco (Pancho) Segura of Ecuador opposing Charles Mattman, naval lieutenant from Forest Hills, and Lt. Gardner Mulloy of Miami, Fla., meeting Richard J. Bender of Westfield, N. J. Mulloy, who drew a first round bye, will be playing in second round competition. The fourth seeded player, Elwood Cooke of Los Angeles, also had a first round bye but entered the quarter finals yesterday with a second round victory over Capt. W. Robert Dixon of Forest Hills.

Francis X. Shields of New York also advanced to the third round with a 6-2, 6-3 triumph over Thomas Burke of Rego Park and meets Cooke in the quarter finals. In another second round match, Sidney B. Woods, Jr., New York veteran, eliminated Bruce Thomas of West Palm Beach, Fla., 2-6, 6-3, 6-2.

Jim Wilson Doing Well in Hospital

DETROIT, Aug. 9 (UP)—Ford hospital attendants today reported Boston Red Sox pitcher Jim Wilson "doing nicely" after undergoing an operation for a skull fracture which he sustained in yesterday's Detroit-Boston game.

Wilson was felled by a liner off the bat of Tiger Hank Greenberg in the 10th inning of the game. He was carried unconscious off the field, but revived shortly after his arrival at the hospital.

Attendants said Wilson would not be back in the lineup for at least two weeks.

St. Louis Browns Skid Into 7th; Sell Two Stars

Kreevich Sold To Senators, Caster Goes to Tigers

By CARL LUNDQUIST
NEW YORK, Aug. 9 (UP)—The sad St. Louis Browns were in the last act today of one of baseball's most doleful dramas. They were the major league team that couldn't stand success.

Always the poor "country cousins" of the American League, they became the "one-year wonders" of 1944 by winning their only pennant. Now, just about a year from the time, they apparently have given up on the 1945 race by selling players to the two hottest contenders to succeed them, Washington and Detroit.

No Choice
The Tigers picked up Pitcher George Caster, who was their most reliable relief pitcher in the 1944 campaign, while Washington obtained leg-kicked Outfielder Mike Kreevich, the only regular on the Browns' squad last year who hit above .300. That neither lived up to expectations this year undoubtedly prompted their sale, but it is hardly likely the Browns would have swung the deals had they felt they had a chance to remain in contention. Currently they are in seventh place, nine games out of the lead.

The Browns struck a new low last night when they fell two games behind the sixth place Red Sox, losing, 5 to 4, in 10 innings to the last place Athletics at St. Louis. Hal Peck won the game with a homer. The As made 17 hits.

Split Pair
The pace-setting Tigers split a double header with the Red Sox in which the league's two top pitchers were bumped. Boston's Dave Ferriss, bidding for his 19th victory, suffered his fifth defeat instead, losing the opener, 5 to 2, mainly because of former Capt. Hank Greenberg's hitting. Greenberg made two doubles and a single, scored two runs and stole a base off Ferriss. In the second game, Hal Newhouser failed in a bid for his 18th win, but wasn't charged with the 12-inning 7 to 4 Tiger defeat because he had been taken out for pinch hitter Zeb Eaton, who sent the game into extra innings with a homer in the ninth. The Red Sox went after Pitchers Walter Wilson and Art Huttman to score three runs in the 12th. Jim Wilson, Red pitcher, was carried off the field in the 10th when a drive by Greenberg hit him in the head. He is in serious condition.

The White Sox kept the second place Senators from moving into a tie for the lead at Chicago, winning, 7 to 3, with an 18-hit attack. It was Chicago's sixth victory in seven games, and was achieved through the steady side-arm pitching of Earl Caldwell. Oris Hockett hit four singles and a double.

Shut Out Yanks
Lefty Al Smith of the Indians shut out the third place Yankees at Cleveland, 1 to 0, and batted in the game's only run when he doubled off Ernie Bonham to score Felix Mackiewicz.

The cocky Cubs kept rolling along in the National, making 31 hits in winning two from the Braves at Boston, 5 to 2 and 3 to 2 in 12 innings. Bill Nicholson hit a homer, a double and a single in the first game as Ray Prim held the Braves to five blows. Hank Wyse gained his 17th victory in the second game when Andy Pafko doubled and Lennie Merullo singled in the 12th. Phil Cavaretta, bidding for the league batting lead, made six hits in 10 tries, but pace setter Tommy Holmes got four in nine to boost his mark, too.

Wins 15th
Dixie Walker's homer provided Hal Gregg the margin for his first big league shutout as the Dodgers topped the Reds at Brooklyn, 1 to 0. It was Gregg's 15th victory and fifth in a row. He gave up five hits and veteran Vernon Kennedy allowed but four in losing.

George Dockings of the Cardinals also got his first shutout when he blanked the Giants, 3 to 0, at New York. Two runs in the first on a walk and three singles started Van Lingle Mungo off to defeat even though he struck out eight Red Birds.

The Pirates and Phils traded shutouts at Philadelphia. Pittsburgh won the opener, 4 to 0, on Elwyn Roe's six-hit job. Dick Mauney scattered eight hits to win the second game for the Phils, 5 to 0.

ONLY MALES CHIRP
Insects don't chirp in union, as people probably think they do, it just sounds that way. In a chorus of crickets or katydids, it's every man for himself, and they are males, since it's only the males that can chirp.

TODAY'S SPORT PARADE

By JACK CUDDY
United Press Correspondent
RHEIMS, France, Aug. 9 (UP)—This French champagne city where the German surrender was signed is the "most beautiful fox-hole in Europe for G. I. Joes." It was made plain to visitors today.

Within the short space of three months, the army has provided sports and recreation facilities for enlisted men rarely equalled in American cities of this size. However, since most of these facilities are strictly for the "dog-faces," the much-overlooked officers have to restrict their recreational activities largely to studying the production of champagne at eight different plants.

Officers Rank
The brass hats squiring five American sports writers through Europe insisted the scribes should survey the enlisted men's recreational project. The sports writers protested in vain they had officers' rank and should concentrate their activities on behalf of the champagne.

The disagreement resulted in a compromise wherein the entire party broke up and made separate visits to the G. I. "coney islands" set up in various parts of the city. The attractions include swimming pools, dancing pavilions, picnic grounds, and various other "side shows."

For the athletically inclined there is a quarter mile running track and a circular red brick boxing center, "Le Cirque," where fights are held every Friday night, just as at Madison Square Garden in New York. The boxing pavilion seats about 3,000 and the service men have to take turns to decide who shall get to go.

Underground
The facilities are a little more commodious at the huge concrete "stade velodrome" where as many as 90,000 can watch motorcycle races, track meets and football games.

The writers who managed to broaden their education with "clandestine" visits to the pommerie champagne caverns, finally decided after several visits they outspokenly envied the "G. I.s." Nevertheless, they emphasized their appreciation of the chance to learn about the making of champagne in 11 mile long caverns more than 100 feet below the earth's surface.

There, more than eight million bottles of the "old bubbly" are undergoing the five year aging process despite Pommery's loss of more than five million bottles to the German army of occupation. No wonder so many of the natives of Rheims went "underground" during the occupation.

NAME TELLS TALE
An Indian's tribal name tells what kind of man he is and it is not given him until he earns it. It may be a good name or a bad one, depending on his record.

Seattle Rainiers Knock Off Bevos In First Game

The Seattle Rainiers got in the first punch last night as they opened their "private" world series against the league-leading Portland Beavers.

Faced with the necessity of winning at least five of the seven games in the series if they hope to reduce the Beavers' long lead, the Rainiers spanked out a 6-1 conquest in the opener to cut the Portland advantage to seven games.

Thriller
San Francisco Seals outlasted the Oakland Aacorns to cop an 12-11 marathon and tie for fourth place in the Pacific coast league standings; Sacramento eked out a 5-4 decision over San Diego to enhance its third-place position, and the Los Angeles Angels and Hollywood Stars split a twin bill, 5-2 for the Angels in the first, 4-3 for the Stars in the second.

The thriller of the day was produced at Oakland where 6,500 fans stayed until the last out as they saw their favorite score six runs in the ninth inning. On top of that they had the bags loaded and clutch-hitter Manager Bill Raimondi at the plate with two down. But worried Willie fled out to end the uprising.

Wins Fourth
In the first game at Los Angeles Paul Lammer won his fourth victory of the campaign as he tossed a five-hitter. Rip Russell homered in the eighth inning with Reggie Otero on base to provide the winning margin.

The nightcap went to the veteran Newt Kimball, who used his slider to toss a six-hitter. Hugh Willingham's long ripple that bounced off the left-centerfield fence was the big blow. Russell hit in his 12th consecutive game for the Angels.

Joe McCarthy To Rejoin Yankees

BUFFALO, N. Y., Aug. 9 (UP)—Yankee Manager Joe McCarthy, who says he never had any intention of quitting his job, was on his way today to rejoin the club in its series with the Indians at Cleveland.

McCarthy, who was under a doctor's care at his home near here for more than two weeks, said he made the decision to return after a visit with Yankee President Larry MacPhail.

"I never had any intention of quitting, although when I came home I was pretty well all in," he said.

McCarthy, a \$35,000 a year pilot, admitted that he had submitted his resignation to MacPhail before leaving New York to come here, but said MacPhail refused to accept it.

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New York	50	44	.532
Chicago	51	47	.520
Cleveland	49	48	.505
Boston	49	50	.495
St. Louis	45	50	.474
Philadelphia	36	62	.347

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Chicago	65	34	.657
St. Louis	60	42	.588
Brooklyn	56	43	.566
New York	54	48	.529
Pittsburgh	52	51	.505
Boston	46	57	.447
Cincinnati	43	54	.443
Philadelphia	27	34	.267

PACIFIC COAST			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Portland	82	47	.636
Seattle	75	54	.581
Sacramento	69	63	.523
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