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Card Loss to Setups May Cost Pennant

By CARL LUNDQUIST
NEW YORK, Aug. 16 (UP)—Failure of the St. Louis Cardinals to win consistently from teams that are pushovers for the rest of the league probably will cost them their fourth straight pennant.

Last night for example, they had a fine opportunity to gain on the Cubs in a double header against the forlorn Phillies. All the Cards could manage to do was to split, leaving them with a net loss of a half game against the Cubs, who mauled the Dodgers at Brooklyn, 20 to 6.

Cards Shaky
The Cards were shaky in losing the opener at Philadelphia, 8 to 5, yielding five runs in the fifth on just one hit. Rookie Glenn Gardner saved the night by pitching a three-hit, 7 to 0, shutout in the second game for his first big league triumph.

The Cubs made 19 hits, including four homers, in their rout of the Dodgers. Paul Gillespie got two of the homers. Hank Borowy scored his third National league victory against one defeat.

The Pirates won two at New York, 11 to 9 and 3 to 2, to move within a game of the first division. They chased Bill Voiselle with six runs in the first although the Giants tied it at 7-all in the seventh when Danny Gardella hit his second homer of the game.

Tommy Holmes took over the major league home run lead, hitting two to make his total 20 as the Braves beat Cincinnati twice.

Baseball Standings

By United Press

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
	W	L	Pct.
Detroit	61	44	.581
Washington	59	47	.557
Chicago	56	50	.528
Cleveland	54	51	.514
New York	52	50	.510
St. Louis	52	52	.500
Boston	51	57	.472
Philadelphia	34	68	.333

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	W	L	Pct.
Chicago	70	37	.654
St. Louis	66	45	.595
Brooklyn	61	47	.565
New York	59	52	.532
Pittsburgh	59	54	.522
Boston	51	67	.432
Philadelphia	30	80	.273

COAST LEAGUE			
	W	L	Pct.
Portland	85	52	.620
Seattle	80	57	.584
Sacramento	73	66	.525
San Francisco	70	69	.504
Oakland	67	72	.482
San Diego	65	76	.461
Los Angeles	59	80	.424
Hollywood	57	82	.410

at Boston, 10 to 5 and 13 to 3. Emil (Dutch) Leonard maintained his mastery over the Tigers, beating them for the fourth straight time, 8 to 0, at Detroit to put Washington within two and a half games of the lead.

Win Eleven
The White Sox got fine pitching from Bill Dietrich and Orval Grove to beat the Red Sox at Chicago, 5 to 1 and 11 to 0. The Sox made 10 hits in the opener and 12 in the nightcap for their 11th win in 15 games.

Steve Gromek won his 15th game as Cleveland Indians topped the visiting Athletics, 8 to 3. The Browns sent the reeling Yankees into the second division with a 10 to 4 defeat, the sixth in a row for the New Yorkers. The Browns made 15 hits, handing Charley Ruffing his first loss since returning from military duty.

TODAY'S SPORT PARADE

By JACK CUDDY
United Press Correspondent

ZUGSPITZ, Germany, Aug. 16 (UP)—Sgt. George T. Mustin of Memphis, Tenn., a bronzed, middle-aged brown-haired lad, is with company "C" of the 508th military police battalion of the Third Army. He is a very sane fellow and he knows his Memphis friends will not believe him when he comes home and says "I also did some skiing in mid-August."

But fortunately, five touring sports writers from the United States saw Mustin and more than 40 other G. Is. coveting on the snow in the mid-August "dog days" and are willing to swear to it on a stack of Bibles as high as the Zugspitz. This mountain is a peak in the Bavarian Alps which soars to 9,730 feet, the highest in Germany.

Snow Plenty
The sports writers were standing on the sundeck of the Schneefernerhaus, a weathered wooden hotel on the mountainside 1,500 feet below the Zugspitz summit. The skiers seemed like black specks zooming, tumbling and stopping on the three square mile expanse of perpetual snow on the adjacent slope.

One speck left the snow and came trudging up the path to the skihouse elevation of the Schneefernerhaus. The writers ran down to meet him and he proved to be Mustin with his skis over his shoulder, a stick in his hand and wearing heavy skis.

"Are you the hotel professional," we asked him. "You have been tumbling around like an expert."

Never Tried
"Nuts to you," Mustin replied. "I am an all-America amateur. I'm from Tennessee and I never saw so much snow before. I've never been on skis before but I have been having the time of my life and I could conquer these slick sticks with a couple more practices so I could travel on my skis instead of my backsides."

Mustin explained he had seen an army folder inviting Third Army G. Is. to visit the Alps and have fun. "Naturally, I didn't believe that folder stuff, but I figured I couldn't lose anything since it didn't cost anything. I certainly was surprised. You have to hand it to the men who fixed up this trip. They certainly introduced me to a new world."

Beavers Lose to Oaks as Rainiers Win From Angels

Seals Even Series With San Diego; Stars Lose

By United Press

Portland went down to a 10 to 2 defeat Wednesday night before a 16-hit onslaught by the Oakland Acorns as Seattle, second to the Beavers in coast league standings, broke even by splitting a double header with Los Angeles, 2 to 4 and 10 to 6.

Sacramento beat Hollywood 4 to 1 to take the second game in the series, and San Francisco evened its series with San Diego with a 3 to 2 victory.

Portland used three pitchers, Tising, Leon and Galloway, in an attempt to halt Oakland but the Acorns made one each in the second and fourth, three in the fifth, two in the sixth and three in the eighth.

The Padres gained 11 hits off Bob Joyce compared to seven for the Seals, but timely hitting and base stealing assisted the league's best pitcher in recording his 20th victory.

The Seattle Rainiers' hopes to narrow the Beavers' margin dimmed as they suffered a near shut-out defeat, 4 to 2, in the opener. They came back to whitewash the Angels in the nightcap, 10 to 6.

Sacramento's Guy Fletcher chalked up his 20th victory of the season as he pitched the Solons to their 4-1 victory over Hollywood.

Many Stars Soon To Return; May Be Golden Age

By WALTER BYERS

CHICAGO, Aug. 16 (UP)—Many of the athletes who are ready to make the coming decade another "golden era" are scheduled today for immediate discharge from the service.

After World War I came the greatest decade in sports history, the "roaring twenties," brimming with the exploits of Babe Ruth, Red Grange, Bobby Jones, Jack Dempsey and big Bill Tilden.

And today, with some of the nation's brightest pre-war stars prepared to doff their service uniforms, a new sporting era was dawning, one which may not match the "golden era" in individual glory but is certain to outdo it in all-around brilliance.

Hogan's Soon
The first big-name star to pocket his discharge orders since the surrender of Japan is Lt. Ben Hogan, the mighty Texas mite who will be mustered out of the AAF Sept. 5. Hundreds of America's other top athletes, many of them in the service for almost three years like Hogan, are expecting their discharge instructions momentarily.

A tipoff on the approaching mass return to the playing fields are the 526 major league baseball players now in the service. The National Football league lists an identical number in service garb, which alone totals 1,052 men, not counting the hundreds of collegiate, amateur and other professional stars.

To Hit Stride

Ted Williams, Joe DiMaggio, Bob Feller, Stan Musial, Johnny Vandermeer, Dick Wakefield, Pete Reiser, Johnny Beazley and Charley Keller are a few of the baseball greats who will pick up mit and ball again. DiMaggio, Feller and Keller possibly may return to their clubs before the end of the '45 season.

There is little doubt they all will hit their strides again for such athletes as Hank Greenberg and Al Benton are servicemen who already have blazed a comeback trail for them to follow.

Back Linemen

There's George McAfee, rated the greatest running back the gridiron ever knew; Bill Daley, Norm Standlee, "Bullet Bill" Osmanski, Glenn Gaudin, Hugh Gallarneau, Sid Luckman and Pat Harder, all ready to don shoulder pads and cleats again.

The ring will welcome back the "Bomber," heavyweight champ Joe Louis; Gus Lesnevich, Billy Conn and Tony Zale. Ed Oliver, Jimmy Demaree and Horton Smith are anxious to grasp a golf club again and glazed ice awaits such hockey stars as the "Kraut Line" of Bobby Bauer, Bill Schmitt and Woody Dumart, goalie Sam Loprestti and New York's Colville brothers, Neil and Mac.

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League's Youngest Umpire Fired For Protesting Salary

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16 (UP)

The major league meeting to work out plans for returning veterans became involved today in an unexpected complication, the protest of an umpire, who charges he was fired because he sought to get salary increases for his associates.

The umpire, Ernie Stewart, youngest arbiter in the American league, said he held conferences with baseball commissioner A. B. (Happy) Chandler over "dissatisfaction" among umpires over salaries paid. Chandler, he said, suggested he make a survey of salaries and report back to him.

League President William Harbridge found out about his investigation, Stewart said, and ordered him dismissed.

"It made him mad and he fired me," Stewart said. "He said I had been discharged for causing dissension and being disloyal."

Chandler said "the case is something Harbridge will have to decide under baseball rules."

Headaches Don't Keep Wilson Out Of Managership

By AL VERMEER

NEW YORK (NEA)—It's better than driving a truck. Jimmy Wilson would do it all over again as a manager. Though memories of unhappy days with the Phillies and Cubs are still fresh, Coach Wilson of the Reds is not inclined to say he will never again accept a major league managerial assignment, provided one is offered him.

"The toughest thing about running a club is not what takes place on the field but how you get along with the front office," explains the one-time soccer player.

Without mentioning names, Wilson was taking a healthy left jab at Jim Gallagher, general manager of the Wrighleys, who was said to have forced the famous catcher's resignation before the season of 1944 had hardly started. Wilson got the gabs when, after bagging the opener, the Bruins went into a 10-game nose dive.

Unexpected happenings have guided the baseball life of Wilson. A star with the Cards, he was swapped to the Phils following a falling out with his roommate, Frank Frisch, in 1933, and elevated to the management. There he was responsible for the remarkable conversion of Bucky Walters from a third baseman.

The Phils sold Walters to Cincinnati in 1938. A few months later Wilson was released and McKechnie, admiring the work he had done with Walters, invited Jim to join the Reds.

Another dramatic turn occurred in 1940. Cateber Willard Hershberger committed suicide, and when Schroz Lombardi pulled up with a bad leg on the eve of the World Series, there was only Wilson left to catch.

Wilson was 40 and had been inactive for three campaigns, but despite creaking joints he caught all six games against the Tigers brilliantly. Pitching to him in two winning efforts was Bucky Walters.

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Nelson Favorite In Memphis Meet

MEMPHIS, Aug. 16 (UP)—The

"stop Byron Nelson" brigade took to the southland today in an effort to halt the greatest winning streak golf has ever known, but the odds were short the tireless Texan will go right on winning.

Already victorious in 10 straight major tournaments under sponsorship of the Professional Golfers association, Nelson is a top-heavy favorite to win the big money in the \$13,333 war bond prize in the Memphis invitational open.

Cub Catcher Tells Hitter the Signs

NEW YORK, Aug. 16 (NEA)—

Ace Adams was having difficulty with signs, especially those of Adolfo Luque. Adams came to bat with a man on first. As he took his stance at the plate, Ace glanced at Coach Luque for some sign, which was immediately forthcoming, but the Gi-

Forest Fires Now All Under Control

PORTLAND, Aug. 16 (UP)—

State forestry officials disclosed today all forest fires in Oregon are under control except for new lightning-set fires which appeared over night in central Oregon and in the Blue mountain country.

All of them were small and promptly brought under control by state and federal forest agencies.

Large fires in the Warm Springs Indian reservation were reported under control as well as the giant Wilson river blaze, which burned between 175,000 and 200,000 acres over a five week period.

ants' relief worker didn't understand it. Turning to the Cubs' catcher, he inquired casually:

"What did Luque signal for?"

"He signaled for you to bunt," replied the backstop.

Ace Adams did—and safely, too.

Big Celebration Leaves Many Scars

By United Press

The nation today set about erasing the traces of a two-day victory celebration, the second phase of which lacked, for the most part, the spontaneity that followed the first official news of Japan's surrender.

For the majority of Americans, one night of revelry was enough. But in San Francisco, and to a lesser degree in the large cities of the east coast and midwest, reopening of the bars was a signal for a second round of merry-making.

Only in the west coast port, which for four years lived under the shadow of the war in the Pacific, did the hilarity increase. Riot squads of 3,200 police and shore patrolmen were called out.

Hospitals received more than 700 emergency cases, the majority of them sailors cut by flying glass, injured in fist fights or felled by drunkenness.

Japan Not Likely To Be Divided Into Occupation Zones

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16 (UP)

—Japan probably will not be divided into zones of occupation, President Truman told his news conference today, but a mixture of allied forces under the allied supreme commander, Gen. Douglas MacArthur, will move into the defeated enemy country.

Truman said plans for the occupation are started.

Asked who would announce the signing of the surrender terms by the Japanese, the president said Gen. Douglas MacArthur will make the announcement and he, the president, then will issue his V-J day proclamation.

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