

Those St. Louis Cardinals have much too much strength to be residing in the second division, said A. Warren Jones, Salem's city recorder, away back last September. Jones, who had just returned from a trip east, was emphatic in his belief the Cards were a better ball club than their season's record was at that time showing.

Although the Cards have been taking a kicking from Cincinnati's rampaging Reds the last week, they're still up there as a contender in the National League race, and Jones' observations concerning their potential strength seems to have been correct.

You don't see Ray Blades' name mentioned often, but the new St. Louis skipper seems to be doing right well on the job. The fact that the management is the only part of the club that has undergone a major change would at least tend to indicate that his return was last season's trouble. The gay young Bladesmen have given considerable indication that the old gashouse gang may have been on the receiving end of gas to return them to their former esteemed station in the baseball picture.

Pitching seems to be the chief reason why the Cards have been moving pennant-ward. Up until they hit the crucial Cincinnati series the Redbird pitchers had yielded a total of only seven runs in seven games. That kind of pitching, backed by the devastating power attack that is headed by Joe Medwick and Johnny Mize, is bound to bring winning results.

And it hasn't been any one or two certain chancers who have been responsible for the Cards' new strength. Curt Davis, Lou Wanerke and Bob Welland, "big three" in pre-season mound plans, have been ably assisted by Bob Bowman, Mort Cooper and Fiddler McGee. And there's Paul Dean, who hasn't yet come through with his comeback.

### Reds Team to Watch.

Too, the fact that the Cards this year have something resembling astuteness in their inner defense, instead of the diamond game's equivalent to a sieve, probably has had a lot to do with the tight pitching and return of the Reds to a spot in the National League sun.

The infield improvement is concentrated around the key-stones, which is aided by Jimmy Brown and Stu Martin, a couple of No. 10 Cal'ina boys. Martin is making a comeback after an illness that appeared would cut short his career, and Brown, who started at second and shifted over to short, is plugging the hole left when Leo Durocher was sold to Brooklyn because he didn't hit it off with the departed pilot, Frankie Frisch.

Then there's Pepper Martin, the "Wild Horse of the Ozone," who first flashed into headlines with heroic deeds in the 1931 world series. Ranging again in the outfield, after subjecting his chest to countless line drives while stationed at the hot corner, Pepper is pounding the pill and running bases as of old.

Despite Cincinnati's double dunking yesterday, however, the Reds still appear to be the team to watch in the National. The Reds had won 14 straight up until the Cubs knocked 'em yesterday with nine-inning pitching jobs generously sprinkled a F.O.U. They have the best balanced club in the circuit and are backing up robust hurling with a home-run attack which has exceeded even that of the Yankees in ferocity.

Most dismal showing the older league to date has been that of Bill Terry's Giants, written down by the experts as to have some places. Terry's team, however, continued erratic because, with the hardest hitting aggregation yet assembled, the Giant bossman hasn't been able to get dependable pitching and two vital defensive spots, third and first, have crumbled.

### Pellmell Plinks:

Should the New York Yankees buy Dominic DiMaggio, now clouting right at the .400 mark with the Seals, it would be possible for McCarthy to put an all-DiMaggio outfield to work. . . The Yanks also own, besides Joe-the-Joltier, Vince DiMaggio, who is performing on their Kansas City farm club. . . DON'T forget the Statesman-Legion baseball school opening this morning, you young big leaguers. . . Happy Howard Maple former big leaguer, and who has just returned from active duty with the Spokane Indians, will be a-tellin' you how. . . While Oregon's basketball champions gave the hoop sport a profit for the season at the Webfoot institution, the football team landed in the red by some \$17,000 in the Chicago Cubs, year in and year out, run second only to the Yankees in the matter of cash customers. . . The world fairs ought to boom at least one type of business—chirology.

Joe Elmer, engineer out at the high school, tells a golf yaru about a gentleman (?) who, while playing a Seattle course hit several pellets into the bay, became so infuriated he threw his clubs in, couldn't take the horselaugh given him by his caddy, threw the caddy in, too, found the caddy couldn't swim and had to go in after him.

Hershey, Pa., has a new stadium that features a scoreboard 25 feet long and 27 feet high, on which is an electric time clock with a dial 12 feet in diameter. Where's Salem's civic stadium in that? Probably the youngest world champion in the history of sports is the one who will eventually make the most from sports. . . Gonja Heine, who was the woman figure—and we do mean "figure," champion skater of the world at 14.

**Albany Bunches Hits for Victory**

ALBANY, Ore., May 30—(AP)—Effective hitting by Albany 11-7 victory over Edwards Furniture (Portland) in a game today. Edwards . . . 7 8 2 Albany . . . 11 8 4 Kallio, Helm and Messinger; Barber, Schaffie and Lentch.

# Silverton Wins in 15 Innings, 1 to 0

## 4th Annual Statesman-Legion Baseball School Today

### 1500 Witness Tight Contest

#### Helsers' Hurling Featured by 4 Hits, one Walk, Babes Finally Lose

McGINNIS PARK, Silverton, May 30.—(Special)—Better than 1500 Memorial day baseball fans saw the kind of a pitcher's battle that every baseball fan someday hopes to see as Silverton's Roy Helsers took a 15-inning, 1 to 0 decision from the Portland Babes' Gene Fenter here today.

Helsers, stubby southpaw who was once "up there" only to be sent back down because of wildness, not only limited the Babes to four hits in 15 full frames, but walked but one, hit two, and was faced by but 52 batsmen.

There was none away in the last of the fifth when Joe Erautt, the smart little receiver of the Red Hose, beat out an infield single and took second when Third Baseman Oberst threw wild to first. Helsers beat out a beautiful ball that advanced Erautt to third, and Second Baseman Kirsch lofted a sacrifice fly to center that tallied Erautt with the one tally the three hours and 10 minute ball game produced.

Only Once in Trouble Only once was Helsers in trouble in the 11th, with one away. Leftfielder Wolcott poled a three-bagger. He failed to score on Graser's infield hit and when attempting to tally on Hamata's fielder's choice was nipped in a hot box. Helsers struck out 15, averaging one an inning, with Fenter whiffing 13 in the 14 1/3 frames he worked. Fenter walked three and saved eight hits.

Wolcott, Graser, Bishop and Oberst were the only Babes to find Helsers for hits, while Pesky and Andy Hurney, with two singles each, were the only Red Sox to collect more than one blow off Fenter.

Silverton . . . . . 1 8 1 Babes . . . . . 0 4 4 Helsers and Erautt; Fenter and Bishop.

### Cubs Whitewash Cincinnati Twice

#### French, Page Set Batters Down, 6-0, 2-0; Other Teams Split Bills

CINCINNATI, May 30—(AP)—Superb pitching of Larry French and rookie Vance Page enabled the Chicago Cubs to whitewash the league-leading Cincinnati Reds today in a morning game 6 to 0 and an afternoon contest 2 to 0 before 40,619 holiday fans.

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## SPORTS

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### SEEKS NEW GLORY By Sords Shaw Winner Of Grim Race

Floyd Roberts, Last Year's Speedway King, Killed in Car Collision

By CHARLES DUNKLEY INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., May 30—(AP)—Leaving death, wreckage and blasted hopes behind in his perilous ride, Wilbur Shaw, veteran Indianapolis driver, won the 500-mile automobile race over the Indianapolis motor speedway today in a dramatic finish.

Floyd Roberts, 29-year-old driver from Van Nuys, Calif., lost his life as Shaw, winner of the 1937 race, rode to triumph.

A few minutes before the finish, Roberts, critically injured in a smash-up of three cars, died of brain concussion in a hospital. Two other drivers, Chet Miller of Detroit and Bob Swanson of Los Angeles, were injured. Two women spectators also were hurt.

Shaw, thrilling a crowd of 145,000, won through the misfortune of firing Louis Meyer of Huntington Park, Calif., only three-time winner of the classic. Within the last 50 miles of victory, Meyer went into two dangerous spins. He lost the lead because of the first one when he blew a front tire. He pushed the car off the track and quit with only seven miles to go.

Wrecks Slow Time The victorious Shaw covered the 500 miles, 200 times around the 2 1/2-mile brick and asphalt track, in 2:20:47.41 to average 115.035 miles an hour. This was below the record-breaking average of 117.2 miles an hour made by Roberts in triumphing a year ago, because the race was slowed down while the wreckage of three cars was cleared from the track.

Shaw finished a minute and 53 precious seconds ahead of Jimmy Snyder, one-time Chicago milkman, who covered the distance in 4:22:35.60 to average 114.24 miles an hour. Cliff Bergera of Hollywood, Calif., was third.

Twelve of the original starting field of 33 were running at the finish. The death of the popular Roberts marred the day. Tearing around the southeast turn, he plowed into a wobbling car, driven by Swanson, who had relieved Ralph Heppner of Los Angeles as Heppner stopped for gasoline and oil. Roberts' car careened off

### Red Sox Beat Yankees Once

#### 8 to 4 Victory Followed by Letdown so Yanks Take Finale 17-9

BOSTON, May 30—(AP)—After performing in an inspired fashion behind Monte Weaver, a surprise starter, for an 8-4 victory in the first game, the Red Sox bogged down and surrendered the nightcap to the Yankees, 17-9 today before 35,000 at Fenway park.

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### Wayne Sabin Triumphant In Orange Singles Play

SOUTH ORANGE, N. J., May 30—(AP)—Wayne Sabin of Portland, Ore., won the annual Orange Lawn Tennis club singles tournament today on a 6-1, 8-6, 4-6, 6-1 triumph over Frank Bowden of New York.

### O. E. Lutz of Portland Senior Golf Champion

GEARHART, Ore., May 30—(AP)—A 14-foot putt on the ninth hole gave O. E. Lutz, Portland, the Oregon senior golf championship today. He defeated P. J. Ahern of Portland, in the final, 1 up.

### Aurora Is Defeated 5-4 By Portland Merchants

AURORA — Aurora baseball team lost to the East Broadway Merchants at Portland Sunday, 5 to 4. Pitchers, Evans, Aurora, and Munson for the Merchants.

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### Swanson's machine plowed through the outside board fence, coming to a stop in an adjoining golf course. The impact with the boards ripped and tore the flesh off Roberts' body. He was picked up unconscious and rushed to a hospital, dying within an hour.

### Cougars Close Season By Win Over Huskies

PULLMAN, Wash., May 30—(AP)—The Washington State college Cougars closed their northern division Pacific Coast conference season today with a 7 to 5 victory over the University of Washington Huskies.

### League Baseball

Table with columns for National League, American League, and Coast League, listing teams and statistics.

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