

World Series key to love affair with anthem

1918 series brought ‘The Star Spangled Banner’ into national consciousness

By **DON BABWIN**
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CHICAGO — On Tuesday afternoon, the crowd at Wrigley Field will be asked to stand and “gentlemen” reminded to remove their caps for the playing of “The Star-Spangled Banner.” Fans who can recite the words as easily as the alphabet will sing or listen to the story of a flag that continued to wave throughout one of the most famous battles in American history.

What they may not know is that Francis Scott Key, apparently better at lyrics than melody, put his description of the battle of Fort McHenry to an old English tune that had a lot less to do with patriotism than it did with booze and women. Or that this year marks the 100th season since the song was played for the first time at a World Series game — an event that helped cement it in the national consciousness



AP Photo/David Goldman, File

In this May 20, 2017, file photo, a spectator takes a photo of a United States flag as it is unveiled for the national anthem as part of Military Appreciation Day before a baseball game between the Atlanta Braves and the Washington Nationals in Atlanta. The anthem has been a standard part of U.S. sports games since World War II. Experts say Game 1 of the 1918 World Series between the Boston Red Sox and the Chicago Cubs helped pave the way. The song became the official national anthem in 1931.

and become the national anthem that is now simply assumed to be part of game day in American sports, from Little League to the Super

Bowl to medal ceremonies at the Olympics. “Certainly the outpouring of sentiment, enthusiasm, and patriotism at the 1918

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On Sept. 5, 1918, newspapers were dominated by news of World War I, including the latest American dead. In Chicago, one of the headlines

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read, “Chicagoans on the List,” and it was a particularly harrowing moment in the city for another reason: Someone, possibly self-proclaimed anarchists and labor activists, had the day before tossed a bomb into a downtown federal building and post office, killing four people and injuring dozens more.

The World Series was in town, with the Cubs hosting Babe Ruth and the Boston Red Sox. See **ANTHEM/3B**

Baseball

Hodgen falters in Spokane

Naughton’s no-hitter highlights weekend

East Oregonian

SPOKANE, Wash. — It was quite the weekend for Pendleton senior-to-be Daniel Naughton.

On Sunday, the right-handed pitcher picked up his first collegiate baseball scholarship offer from Gonzaga University, which figures to be the first of many to come. But the good fortunes began on Saturday, when Naughton threw a complete game no-hitter to help his Pendleton/Hodgen Distributing team to a 8-0 shutout victory over Spokane in the Spokane 4th of July Woodbat Classic.

Naughton was brilliant on the mound, recording 12 of the 15 total outs by strikeout and throwing just 76 pitches. He allowed just four baserunners, one via walk and three via hit-by-pitch.

Naughton got all the offensive support he would need from his teammates in the first inning, when Ryan Russell hit a two-RBI double and Tyler Chichester hit an RBI double for a 3-0 lead.

Tristan Morris had a team-high three hits in the game, adding one run and two RBIs. Gabe Umbarger had two hits and team-high three runs, while Naughton, Quinn Doherty, Russell and Chichester each had

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Wimbledon

Discussing crash, Venus Williams sheds tears

Five-time Wimbledon champion wins, then breaks down at news conference

By **HOWARD FENDRICH**
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LONDON — Venus Williams wiped tears from her eyes during her Wimbledon news conference Monday.

She shook her head, fiddled with her hair and sat, silently.

The wave of emotion came as Williams attempted to answer a question about the two-car crash that police say she caused June 9 in Florida; a 78-year-old passenger in the other vehicle died 13 days later. Williams’ 7-6 (7), 6-4 victory over Elise Mertens at the All England Club was the five-time Wimbledon champion’s first match anywhere since the acci-

dent — and the first time she has spoken about it publicly.

Well, tried to speak about it. She began by saying: “There are really no words to describe, like, how devastating and ...”

Williams paused.

“Yeah, I’m completely speechless,” she briefly continued.

“It’s just ...”

“Yeah, I mean, I’m just ...”

Then she sat there, silently. Eventually, the moderator seated next to Williams temporarily halted the news conference, allowing the 37-year-old American to leave the room for a bit. She huddled nearby

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AP Photo/Tim Ireland

Venus Williams of the United States smiles during her Women’s Singles Match against Belgium’s Elise Mertens on the opening day at the Wimbledon Tennis Championships in London Monday, July 3, 2017.

Seattle Mariners starting pitcher Andrew Moore works against the Kansas City Royals during the first inning of a baseball game, Monday, July 3, 2017, in Seattle.

AP Photo/John Froschauer



MLB

Kennedy out-duels Moore

Royals beat Mariners

By **TIM BOOTH**
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SEATTLE — Ian Kennedy allowed one run pitching into the seventh inning, Mike Moustakas and Alex Gordon both hit solo home runs, and the Kansas City Royals beat the Seattle Mariners 3-1 on Monday night.

Kennedy (3-6) won his third straight decision with one of his best performances of the season. The lone run scored on a wild pitch as Kansas City handed Seattle its fifth straight loss at home.

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Moustakas led off the second inning with his 23rd home run of the season and gave the Royals a 2-0 lead against Seattle starter Andrew Moore. Gordon’s home run came with two outs in the fifth, a pitch he broke his bat on but was still able to get it over the wall in right just beyond the leap of Mitch Haniger. It was Gordon’s fifth homer and second in the past three games.

See **MARINERS/2B**

Sports shorts

Ducks’ Carrington arrested, suspended

EUGENE (AP) — Oregon receiver Darren Carrington has been suspended from the team indefinitely after being arrested on a misdemeanor charge of driving under the influence.

Eugene police say Carrington was arrested after hitting a pole at a McDonald’s restaurant at 3:15 a.m. Saturday. In addition to DUI, Carrington was also cited for careless driving and making an improper turn.

The senior was suspended by Oregon later Saturday. Shortly thereafter, Carrington posted a photo showing some of his Ducks teammates on Instagram, writing: “Thanks for everything I’ll truly miss my brothers love y’all.”

The 22-year-old Carrington is scheduled to appear in Eugene Municipal Court on July 21.

Last season, he caught 43 passes for 606 yards and five touchdowns.



Carrington

“You’ve got to celebrate every victory. But if I drink alone they call me a drunkard. I prefer to drink with my teammates.”

— **Peter Sagan**
Slovak biker after winning the third stage of the Tour de France on Monday, his eighth career stage win in the race. Sagan rides for the German Bora-Hansgrohe team.

Reds’ Zack Cozart earns pet donkey for All-Star spot

DENVER (AP) — Zack Cozart’s All-Star selection comes with a real kick: His own pet donkey.

The Cincinnati Reds shortstop had an agreement with teammate Joey Votto, who promised a large-eared animal as a reward for making the National League All-Star team. Having earned the honor for the first time, Cozart is looking forward to the four-hooved fella’s arrival.

“Who knows? It might even show up here,” Cozart cracked before the Reds opened a four-game series against Colorado on Monday.

He will wait for feedback from fans before picking a name. Cozart wants to stick to a baseball-themed moniker for the addition to his animal farm, which currently consists of two miniature Dobermans.



Cozart

THIS DATE IN SPORTS

1999 — Pete Sampras overwhelms Andre Agassi to capture his sixth Wimbledon and ties Roy Emerson’s record with his 12th Grand Slam championship. Sampras is the first man in the Open era with six Wimbledon titles.

2008 — Dara Torres completes her Olympic comeback, making the U.S. team for the fifth time by winning the 100 free-style at the U.S. Olympic trials in Omaha, Neb. The 41-year-old wins in 54.78. A nine-time medalist, she already was the first U.S. swimmer to make four Olympic teams.

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