Athletics And Chicago Cubs Now Practically Out Of Sight

CUBS BREAK EVEN WITH NEW YORK AS ATHLETICS SLIDE

By HERBERT W. BARKER
(Associated Press Sports Writer)

The two major league races have developed almost identical situations with the Philadelphia Athletics 12 games in front of their nearest American league opposition and the Chicago Cubs nine and one-half games to the good in the National circuit.

Although the Cubs got no better than an even break with the New York Giants they increased their lead by half a game as the Pittsburgh Pirates took another on the chin from the Phillies.

Both Cubs-Giant games were pitcher's battles. Freddy Fitzsimmons outpitched Guy Bush in the opener and the Giants won by 4 to 1. In the nightcap, however, Hal Carlson blanked the Giants with six hits and the Cubs won 1-0.

Bush, losing his third game of the season as against 17 victories, was the victim of some poor fielding by McMillan and English. Fitzsimmons, however, would have had a shutout himself had not Bill Terry dropped an easy throw in the ninth.

Carl Hubbel gave Carlson a great argument in the second game, a triple by Hornsby and Wilson's single giving the Cubs the only run of the game in the fourth.

The Phils conquered the Pirates for the third time in a row by an 8-6 count. Lou Koupal pitched great ball until the seventh when the Corsairs scored five runs, three of them on Paul Waner's homer.

Thanks to another brilliant pitching performance by Ray Moss, the Brooklyn Dodgers got an even break in two games with the St. Louis Cardinals. After Wee Willie Sherdel had outpitched Dazzy Vance to give the Cards the first game, 3-2, Moss blanked the Red Birds with four hits and walked off with a 4-0 triumph. It was Moss' fourth successive win.

Red Lucas pitched the Cincinnati Reds to an easy 6-2 victory over Boston to record his 16th win of the season.

In the American league the Yankees picked up a game on the Athletics by beating Chicago, 5-4, while the A's were losing to St. Louis, 2-1.

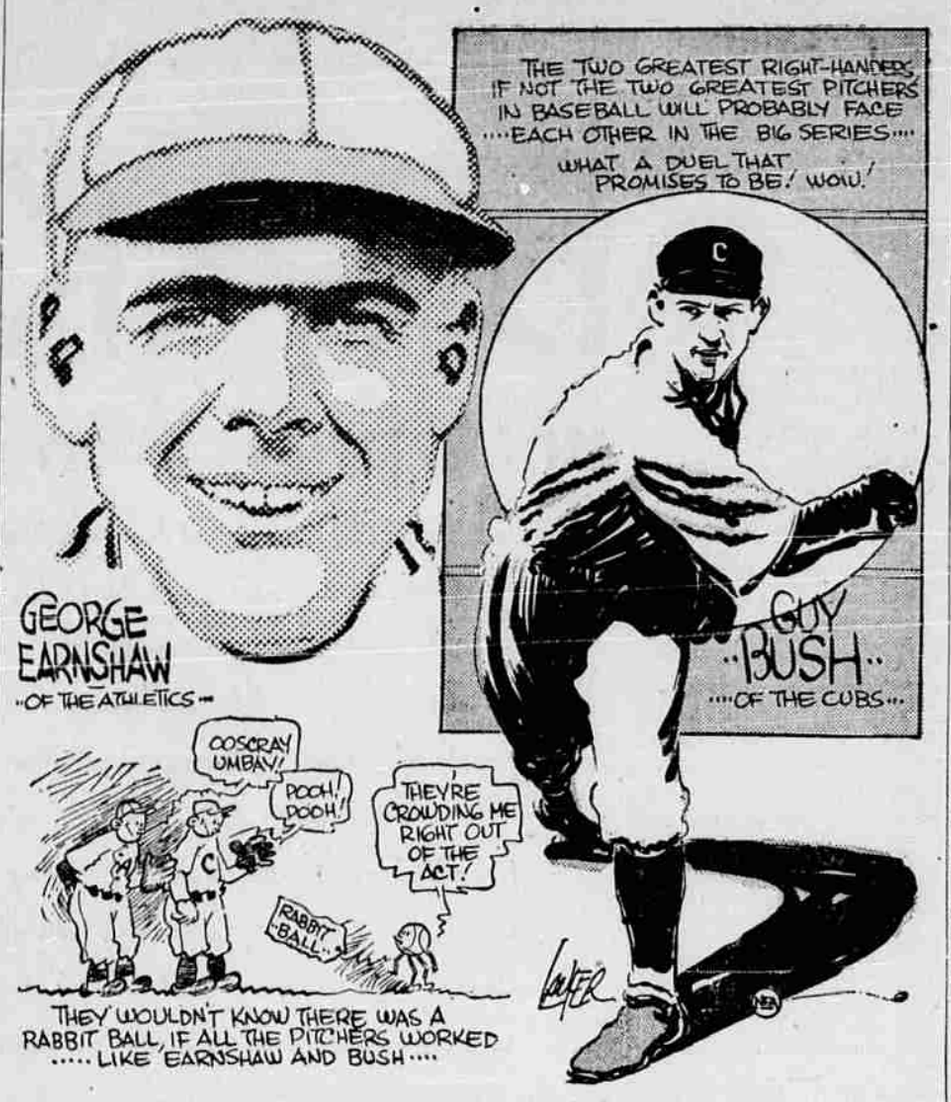
Ralph Kress' homer with one on in the sixth decided a tight pitchers' battle between Alvin Crowder of the Browns, and George Earnshaw and Jack Quinn of the A's at St. Louis. Crowder permitted only four hits.

Urban Faber, veteran Chicago right hander, was presented with various gifts on "his day" by 18,000 fans but he could not check a heavy Yankee batting assault. The Yankees bunched their 11 hits to good advantage. Tom Zachary received credit for his ninth straight victory of the season although Wiley Moore was called to the rescue in the seventh.

Burke was knocked out of the box in the first inning by Cleveland but Myles Thomas stopped the Indians dead thereafter and Washington walked away with a 6-2 verdict.

The rampaging Boston Red Sox assaulted three Detroit pitchers for 15 hits and beat the Tigers, 12-8. Charlie Ruffing went the route for Boston although he was nicked for 13 hits. He aided his own cause with a double and two singles, drove in one run and scored two.

MAY STAR IN SERIES



Two Great Right-Handers May Meet In World Series

By WERNER LAUFER
(NEA Service Sports Writer)

George Earnshaw of the Philadelphia Athletics and Guy Bush of the Chicago Cubs, the two greatest right handers, if not the two greatest pitchers in baseball today, will probably come face to face in the world series this fall.

That is, of course, if the Cubs and A's go through with their present purpose of running away from the rest of the teams, which at mid-August seems almost a foregone conclusion.

Where do we get that two greatest pitchers stuff. How do we figure these guys ahead of Lefty Grove, Earnshaw's teammate, and Burleigh Grimes of the Pittsburgh Pirates. One moment, while little Peaches changes her costume and we shall attempt to explain.

A glance at the records will tell you who is doing the most effective pitching job in the National league. Up until very recently Bush had lost but one game, although he had appeared in 34 contests. Of these, he had won 15, which indicates that winning 20 games will be a dead cinch for "Mississippi Guy." And the 30 mark is by no means out of his reach when you consider that as a rule Bush is a late starter and usually does his best work at the tag end of the grind.

He was a very good pitcher last year. And plenty good the year before that. But Guy has been constantly improving his percentage and he should be in full stride when the bell rings for the series. Of course, always keep in mind that the Cubs must win the pennant first.

Earnshaw's case is more sensational. He was not expected to bear the brunt of the work when the season started. He had only joined the Athletics in mid-season last year, and although Connie Mack said he was a very bright prospect, little did anyone figure he would take the play away from Grove and Walberg, the two great southpaws.

That is just what the big boy has been doing. Grove and Walberg have been going like two left-handed houser in full blaze. For that matter they are still going well enough and are not causing Connie Mack any sleepless nights. But in recent games both have had bad spells.

Earnshaw meanwhile has run his string of victories higher than either of the two left-handers. And a prediction comes from two smart, observing American league officials that Earnshaw will go better than either Grove or Walberg in the remaining games of the season. They also say that there is no gamer guy in baseball than the big bucktoothed, fast-ball artist. Mickey Cochrane and Cy Perkins, the Athletics' catchers, think and have stated their belief that Earnshaw has even more speed than Lefty Grove. Watch Earnshaw go in the big-dough games if the Athletics do not blow.

Not every year are the two greatest flingers in their respective leagues lucky enough to get into the big money games. It is almost a baseball tradition that each year the top twirler is working his heart out for a team that is down in the race.

Where were Burleigh Grimes, Dazzy Vance, Larry Benton, Lefty Grove and Garland Broxton, the ranking hurlers of last year, when world series time came around? All had given valiant service to their clubs, but only Benton, Grimes and Grove were able to cut into any part of that series sugar. And then for only a cut of the place and show money. Dazzy Vance, a standout pitcher in the old league, won all his games for the Brooklyn Robins, who were floundering close to last place.

Walter Johnson and Glover Alexander in their prime usually hurled for second division teams. Not until they were past their best days did they really get a break. True, Alex was in the series in 1915, when as the pitching ace of the Phillies he split even in two games against the Boston Red Sox. But that was not one of Old Pete's best years.

Now the prospect of seeing the best pitcher of each league in a world series duel is a spectacle for the bleacherites to look forward to with relish. It may come about that the other Cub and Athletic pitchers will turn in better games. That is usually what happens when a scribe goes out on a limb.

But that Bush and Earnshaw are the two best pitchers in baseball today is our story. And we intend to stick to it. And if you still don't agree, why go ahead and sue us.

FOXY PHANN

Two heads are better than one unless you are picking out your new fall skimmer

MAJOR ECKERSON ROARS TO PORTLAND FOR BIG SKY DERBY

Major Gilbert H. Eckerson and his Waco sport biplane roared from the Springfield airport Wednesday morning bound for Portland where he will, but a few last minute touches on his craft before the Portland-Cleveland air derby starts Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

With his red taper-wing plane newly waxed and streamlined, the major will be able to reach a maximum speed of 165 miles an hour and can average 155, he said. His 220 horse nine-cylinder Wright whirlwind motor recently put in tip-top shape by a Wright mechanic, will race at top speed all the way, for the major aims to win.

Major Eckerson will be backing some of the best aviators in the country in this derby. Tex Rankin, of the Rankin Flying school of Portland, will be flying a new taper-wing Jo which is special, and there are other famous skyriders from the east and from California entered in the flight.

The course that the derby takes is familiar to the Springfield entry as he is the only entry that has covered the ground previous to the race, other than Tex Rankin. This fact gives the only two Oregon entries some advantage over the other contestants.

Ten hops in five days is the strenuous schedule ahead of the racers. The fliers leave Portland and dash to Walla Walla, making a stop of approximately 30 minutes for service, then roar away for Spokane, where ends the first day's trip. Little difficulty is expected in these two hops as the route is through the Columbia gorge to the first stop, and from there on it will be straight flying.

The second day's flying will take the derby men across Montana to Billings. The winds that sweep that state are apt to cause the aviators trouble. The crack-ups in short-course races of this kind are, for the most part, caused by head winds. The fliers seek lower altitudes when flying against the wind and should the motor fail they have little chance of finding a decent landing field.

Other adverse conditions that the racers may encounter are the smoke of forest fires and the fog and rain of the mountain areas. Short-course races are made much more difficult than endurance flying for the reason that the latter make seek pleasanter flying conditions while the former must go on a direct line to the finish point.

After crossing Montana, the aviators will dash across Wisconsin in a series of hops, and finally, on Tuesday, are expected to reach their goal at Cleveland, Ohio.

TWO WEDDINGS WILL FEATURE LANE FAIR

A bride has been found.

Such is the announcement of Mabel H. Chadwick, secretary of the Lane county fair association, who said Wednesday that a Lane county couple will be married in an impressive ceremony on one night of the fair, now under way.

This makes two weddings for the four nights of the fair. One is pretty certain to be on the last night of the fair, but the Lane county couple who consented to take the matrimonial jump in this way will be wed either Wednesday, Thursday or Friday night.

An array of gifts which would be welcomed by any bride is being presented by Eugene merchants for the fair wedding couple. Nothing will be lacking to make the ceremony impressive and complete for the bride and bridegroom, who are well known in Lane county.

RECEPTION PLANNED FOR HARRY CULVER

A reception for Harry Culver, president of the National Realty association, who will stop in Eugene Saturday noon en route to his home in Culver City, Cal., after a trip around the United States by plane in which 662 realty boards were visited, has been planned by the chamber of commerce and the Eugene realty board.

A luncheon at the Eugene hotel will convene at noon sharp. Mr. Culver will be introduced by R. A. McCully, president of the Eugene realty board. He will address the group on real estate values in the country. The Gleemen are on the program.

Mr. Culver will land at the municipal airport at 11 o'clock. When the luncheon is over he will hop off for Medford for a meeting there.

MARINE RECRUITING OFFICER TRANSFERS

Sergeant M. Sherman arrived in Eugene Tuesday afternoon to assume his duties as recruiting officer for the United States Marine corps. He takes the place of Sergeant Lawrence Dumond, transferred. His office is in the court house.

Mr. Sherman announced that several openings are available in the corps for recruits. Two recruits were enlisted Tuesday, Lee Conklin and Mr. Gunderson of Siend. The enlistment age has recently been lowered to 17 years, it was announced.

ALTURAS LINE WILL BE OPENED SEPT. 16

The formal opening of the Southern Pacific line from Klamath Falls to Alturas, Cal., connecting the Cascade line with the Nevada-California-Oregon railway recently acquired by the S. P. has been set for September 15, according to word received by L. L. Graham, district freight and passenger agent.

The celebration will be held September 14. Delegations from all parts of the coast have been asked to observe the joining of the rails and the driving of the golden spike.

The new road gives Oregon points a transcontinental route 211 miles shorter than the present lines.

BUSINESS COLLEGE CLOSING FOR WEEK

The Eugene Business college will close Friday afternoon, August 23, for a week, during which time preparations will be made for the opening of the fall term on Tuesday, September 3, announces A. E. Roberts, who operates the college.

Equipment will be overhauled and the general plans made for the fall term. The night school will begin on Tuesday evening, September 17.

The teachers in the college will be Mrs. E. W. Ryan, in charge of shorthand, with Mrs. Nathan Warner as assistant.

Total of 249 students were enrolled the past year, Mr. Roberts said. The proportion was about three women to one man, he said. Of the 249, 58 were in the night school.

Only the business office will be open next week to serve those wishing information on the school.

SCOUTING AWARDS ARE MADE AT CAMP

At the court of honor which closed the boy scout camp on Blue river, 29 merit badges, 11 second class badges, two first class badges, a star badge and three life scout badges were awarded.

Members of the Lane county council present at the court of honor were Dr. W. E. Moxley, Frank Jenkins, Arthur Hendershott, Prof. O. F. Stafford and John Rogers.

Badges were awarded to the following boys:

Life scout badge—James E. West, Charles Ayers, Harold Frazee.

Star scout badge—Richard Hughes.

Merit badges—Harold Frazee, pioneering, wood carving, athletics, pathfinding; Dick Hughes, leather craft, personal health, first aid, wood carving; Bob Rundlett, leather carving, wood carving, pioneering; Jack Hitchcock, wood carving, pioneering, surveying; Buzz Ayers, cooking, swimming, athletics.

Paul Brabham, personal health, leather craft; Albert Matthews, personal health; Gordon Wright, swimming, first aid, personal health, leather craft; Bob Merrill, swimming; Floyd Koozer, pioneering, personal health, leather craft, first aid.

Jack Ruth, leather craft; Bob McLagan, personal health, leather craft; Carrol Auld, life saving, wood carving, surveying, pioneering, cooking; Norman Harrell, life saving, personal health, leather craft, first aid; Joye Smith, swimming, wood carving, leather craft, first aid; James West, pioneering, swimming, wood carving.

Don Brooke, pioneering, hiking, surveying; Herman Hendershott, swimming, athletics, life saving; Ronald McNutt, first aid, pioneering, leathercraft; Winston Bacus, first aid, pioneering; Don Goodall, surveying, camping.

Herbert Starr, pioneering, leather craft; Don Fields, wood carving, life saving; Kelly Swafford, pioneering, first aid; Howard Cameron, swimming; Don Montgomery, leather craft; Randall Brown, personal health; Charles Spencer, personal health, leather craft; John Perin, leather craft.

First class scouts—Gordon Wright, Grover Kelsay, Richard Hughes.

Second class scouts—Marion Guthrie, Robert Beebe, Curtis Lindsay, Frank Knight, Ford Danner, Robert Hayes, Richard Wright, Randall Brown, Robin Stoneburg, Leighton Whitsett, John Perin.

Robbery Attempt Stopped by Woman

A robbery attempt at the Bangs apartments, Eighth and Blair streets, was frustrated at about 9 o'clock Wednesday morning by Mrs. Howard Cotton. The house-breaker escaped, but with no loot.

Mrs. Cotton saw a man in her apartment stooping over a table to pick up her purse. She ran up behind him and snatched the purse away before he could pick it up. The quick action startled the man, who took to flight. Mrs. Cotton followed him to the door.

Mr. Cotton reported to the sheriff and men were sent to investigate. No trace of the man was found.

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ANGELS NOW LEAD COAST LEAGUE BALL

By ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Los Angeles Angels forged ahead to the Pacific Coast league lead yesterday, as the three top notchers of the day before were beaten in series openers.

Smashing out four hits in the ninth inning, the Angels won from Seattle in the northern city 7 to 6. It was a pitchers' duel between Smith and Baecht until the last frame, with four hits for each side, when the Indian hurler was batted out of the box.

The Portland Ducks, behind the brilliant pitching of Curt Fullerton, triumphed over San Francisco in the rose city 5 to 1. The Portland pitcher held the visitors to three scattered hits, one of them a homer by Smead Jolley. Jolley however, was blamed for some loose fielding which held back the Seals. The Portland hurler added to his laurels by making two hits in the same number of trips to the plate.

A seventh inning batting spree gave the Oakland Acorns an 8 to 6 victory over the Hollywood Stars at Los Angeles. Letty Johns, star Hollywood hurler, was pounded from the box in that inning.

Sacramento's Senators triumphed over the San Francisco Mission Reds by an 8 to 6 score at Recreation park here. A three run rally in the ninth inning gave the Senators sufficient margin to nose out the locals who made two counters in their half of the last frame.

THE STANDINGS

(By The Associated Press)

Coast League

	W.	L.	Pct.
Los Angeles	31	19	.620
San Francisco	31	20	.608
Hollywood	29	21	.580
Portland	28	22	.560
Mission	28	22	.560
Oakland	25	26	.490
Sacramento	20	29	.408
Seattle	9	42	.176

National League

Chicago	75	36	.676
Pittsburgh	66	46	.589
New York	63	53	.543
St. Louis	57	57	.500
Brooklyn	51	63	.447
Cincinnati	49	65	.430
Philadelphia	47	66	.416
Boston	46	68	.404

American League

Philadelphia	83	34	.709
New York	69	44	.611
Cleveland	60	55	.522
St. Louis	60	57	.513
Detroit	55	62	.470
Washington	50	63	.442
Chicago	45	69	.395
Boston	40	73	.348

In Squared Circle

(By The Associated Press)

BOSTON.—Jim Maloney, Boston, outpointed Riccardo Bertazzolo, Italy, (10).

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NEW YORK.—George Hoffman, New York, outpointed Salvatore Ruggirello, Italy, (10).

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INDIANAPOLIS.—Chuck Wiggins, Indianapolis, outpointed Al Friedman, Boston.

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LOS ANGELES.—Gorilla Jones, Akron, O., negro welterweight technically knocked out Fred (Dummy) Mahan, (6).

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SAN JOSE.—Eddie Dampier and Johnny Benedetti, both of San Jose, drew (10).

LOCAL KIWANIANS BACK FROM MEET

Eugene representatives at the annual northwest Kiwanis convention in Salem have returned, reporting a very successful conclave. Dean John Straub, district trustee; George H. McMorran and Mark Hathaway, official delegates from the club; A. E. Roberts, the local Kiwanis secretary; Frank L. Chambers and Clare Lee, Herald W. White and George P. Hopkins, members of the club, with John Carpenter and Roy Bryson made up the Eugene Kiwanis quartet which sang at the convention.

A total of 927 delegates registered for the convention, coming from all points in the northwest. Victoria, B. C., is to entertain the district convention in 1930. George H. McMorran of Eugene was among those serving on convention committees.

LIONS' LUNCHEON WEDNESDAY EVENT

"Manchuria: Relations to Japan and Russia" was the subject of an address by Dr. John Mez, political science instructor at the University of Oregon, at the weekly luncheon of the Eugene Lions' club at the Eugene hotel Wednesday noon. The political situation, business conditions, and the railroads were special topics treated in the talk. Misses Doris Helen and Martha Patterson gave the musical selections on the harp and the violin for the luncheon.

A. Ralph Gray was welcomed as a new member of the club. Roy E. Morse and F. M. Hathaway were in charge of the program.

For next week's program, George Korn, secretary of the club, will be in charge. The visual educational division of the Ringling and Barnum and Bailey circus are to be on the program.

Springfield

SPRINGFIELD, Aug. 21.—(Special)—Mrs. John Bench, past noble grand of the Springfield Rebekah lodge, was honored Monday evening with a surprise handkerchief shower at the home of Mrs. Meda Catching by many members of the Rebekah lodge. Present were: Mr. and Mrs. Bilderback, Mr. and Mrs. Findley, Dorothy Girard, Oswald Olson, Mrs. Peddicord, Mrs. Cantrell, Mrs. Barnes, Mrs. Poole, Curtis Poole, Harold Poole, Mrs. Sara Johns, Amy Love, Mrs. Ada Love, Elva Adams, Clara Taylor, Mrs. Pearl Schantel, Mrs. R. Snodgrass, Helen Donaldson, Cora Hinson, Alice Doane, Mrs. Mary Magill, Elsie Lambert, Mrs. McKlin, Edna Swarts, Mrs. Sam Richmond, Mrs. Meda Catching, Mrs. Knight, Mrs. Bench, Mrs. Putnam, Mrs. Barker, Kate Brumette, Mrs. Knolf, Miss Hurd, Mrs. Wooley, Mrs. Kizer.

Several Springfield Rebekahs drove to Marcola Tuesday evening to visit the Rebekah logde there. Mrs. Callie Ingles, president of the assembly paid her official visit to the Marcola lodge. The degree team of Marcola put on their work. Following the meeting a dainty supper was served the guests. Those present from Springfield were Mrs. Alice Lorah, Mrs. W. F. Walker, Mrs. Sam Richmond, Mrs. Cal Barnes, Mrs. Zelda Cantrell, Oswald Olson, Dorothy Girard, Alice Doane, Mrs. O. H. Jarrett, Amy Love, Mr. and Mrs. Findley, Mrs. Mary C. Magill, Mrs. Elva Adams.

A joint surprise party was given Tuesday evening by Mrs. Lee Putman and Mrs. Aca Peddicord for their husbands, Mr. Putman and Mr. Peddicord celebrated their birthdays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Putman.

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