

CUBS MAY SET NEW RECORD IN PENNANT RACE

Have Opportunity to Improve Victory Margin Set By Chance Crew in 1906—Asheville Rookie Wins for Phillies.

By William J. Chipman, Associated Press Sports Writer. The Cubs of 1929 are not going to win 116 ball games, but they nevertheless retain a chance to equal or improve upon another feat performed by their illustrious predecessors of 23 years ago. The Cubs of the late Frankie Laryz Chance in 1906 not only won 116 victories, but posted 29 games ahead of the runner-up Giants at the finish. This mark, second only to Pittsburgh's 27 1/2-game victory over Brooklyn in 1902, remains in danger before the rush of Joe McCarthy's fast-flying team.

After cutting the Reds again yesterday by 4 to 1 as the Pirates cruised humbly before the Phillies by 7 to 4, the Cubs posted 14 1/2 games to the good, eager to increase the edge in the five-game series which opens at Pittsburgh today with a double-header. No other team in the National League has enjoyed such a situation at this stage of the race since those earlier Cubs of Chance ran wild in 1906; no other team in the league has had such an edge at any point along the trail since John McGraw's 1912 champions piled up a large early margin only to see it wither.

A continuation through the stretch of the results of the last five weeks could give the Cubs an ultimate lead of 20 games or more, and most likely would land them in the 700 class, achieved by no National League winner since the Pirates of 1905 reached 724 with 116 victories. The Cubs need 25 out of 25 to gain 193 triumphs and 75 to gain 198.

Fans Watch Bruins

Despite cool breezes blowing in from the lake 25,000 fans visited Wrigley Field yesterday to see the Bruins make it three out of four from the Reds. Sheriff Fred Blake found the chill wind no handicap, limiting the visitors to six safe blows. Carlos Walker's homer in the fourth gave the Reds their only run.

The triumph of the Phillies was the second major league victory of young Harry Smythe, the Asheville, N. C. southpaw, who made his first start. His earlier winning effort also was at the expense of the Pirates on their recent and longer visit to Baker Bowl. The Phils crowded all of their seven runs into one inning, the seventh.

George William Piggins entertained 20,000 Yankee clients and gave Cornelius McGillicuddy an uncomfortable afternoon by holding the Athletics to three hits yesterday, as the champions nosed out the leader by 2 to 0.

Babe Ruth retired after striking out in the first inning. He was suffering from a heavy cold in his back muscles, but expected to take another fling today.

Washington and Boston, star eastern performers in the recent western invasion by the national clubs of the American league, backed away at each other for 14 innings, with the Senators finally winning by 5 to 4.

Only four games were played in the major leagues yesterday, and only the same number, two, in the Pittsburgh double-header, were on the schedule today.

Coast League Yesterday

R. H. E.			
Los Angeles	5	11	4
Portland	5	12	2

Batteries: Walsh, Helling, Crandall and Sandberg; Walters and Tomlin.

R. H. E.			
San Francisco	5	12	2
Seattle	4	9	3

Batteries: Thurston and Peden; Fisch and Borroni.

R. H. E.			
Sacramento	4	9	3
Hollywood	12	15	6

Batteries: Vinel, Gillich, French and Harris; Shellenbach and Beverly.

R. H. E.			
Oakland	4	19	0
Mission	4	19	0

Batteries: Dugan and Lombardi; Nelson and Hoffman.

Fights Last Night

(By the Associated Press.)
LEIPERVILLE, Pa.—Red Angelo, Leiperville, outpointed Johnny Peppy, Philadelphia, (10).
CINCINNATI—Freddie Miller, Cincinnati, outpointed Midget Mike O'Dowd, Columbus, (10).
ST. PAUL—My Sullivan, St. Paul, outpointed Jimmy Owens, Fort Worth, Tex., (10).
INDIANAPOLIS—Lon Lovelace, Terre Haute, Ind., stopped Jimmy Sansone, Cincinnati, (10).
ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.—Manuel Quintero, Cuba, outpointed Al Trainor, Philadelphia, (10).
LOS ANGELES—Yabo Okun, New York, outpointed James J. Braddock, New Jersey, (10).

SIGNS WITH BIG LEAGUE AT 13



Sam Solomon, 13, has achieved the goal aspired to by thousands of small boys—a job in the big leagues. He has signed a contract with the Chicago Cubs and is the youngest player ever to be signed by a major league club. Manager Joe McCarthy is looking on.

OUT OF KEELER'S GOLF BAG

By O. B. Keeler. The other day I read a funny piece in a New York paper, to the effect that the approaching national amateur golf championship, Sept. 2-7, at Del Monte, California, was by way of being no more than a competition to decide which amateur should be runner-up to Bobby Jones. This, of course, is a very absurd sort of conclusion, yet it is surprising how many golf fans and sport critics seem to adhere to the theory that because Bobby Jones unquestionably is the best golfer in the world today, he consequently is certain to win a match-play championship. Golf is the most uncertain of sports. The simple sport of putting might be the least likely to upset in form; yet it is easily understood and generally admitted that the fastest sprinter in a given field may lose a hundred-yard dash to one or more slower athletes on a certain day, merely by getting away to a bad start or through a slight stumble. Your fastest sprinter would win, like one out of ten dashes from the other fellow. But the day of the big race might be the tenth dash.

PORTLAND WINS SERIES OPENER FROM ANGELES

The Portland club of the Pacific Coast league strengthened its position at the head of the circuit yesterday by defeating the Los Angeles Angels in the first encounter of those clubs for the week's series. The Ducks thus advanced to a lead of two full games ahead of the Angels who stood in second place.

A ninth inning rally by the Portlanders saved the day by giving the northwestern the long end of a 3 to 0 score. It was their sixteenth consecutive victory, a record for any club in the Coast league for this season, if not for all time.

Wallace Walters, who held the mound for Portland, won his own game when he faced out a single, scoring Harris with the winning run after the Ducks had rolled up four runs in that last frame. The Angels took a six-run lead early in the game, but Manager Rodgers refused to remove Walters from the box.

The San Francisco State osteonated after a strenuous week against the Ducks in which the latter won seven times in a row, by defeating the Seattle Indians, last club in the standings, by a score of 5 to 4 in the Seattle ball park. Counts, visiting osteonated, homed in the fifth with no one on base while Alvin of Seattle hit for the circuit in the eighth.

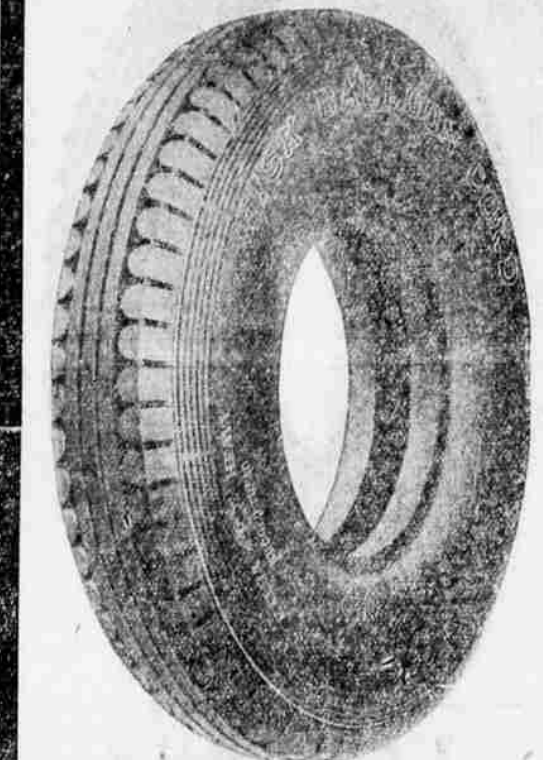
Four home runs, two of them by young Harry Green, figured heavily in Hollywood's 12 to 4 victory over Sacramento in their series opener in Los Angeles. Ted Stutz left fielder, batted in six of his team's runs with his brace of grand slams. His first home bagger, he cleared in the second inning with all bases jammed. Ed Cook and Bill Hunshe also hit for the circuit.

Oakland defeated the San Francisco Mission Reds at Recreation park 4 to 2. Arnie and Carlisle pegged out a couple of homers for the Oaks while one of the Mission runs was a direct result of a hit by Huff, one of 12 Coast league home run leaders. Dugan, pitching for the Oaks, allowed seven hits.

PITTSBURGH, Aug. 28.—(AP.) Donie Bush, manager of the Pittsburgh National League baseball club, today tendered his resignation to President Barney Dreystus. The owner of the club accepted the resignation without comment.

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STANDINGS OF THE CLUBS.

(By the Associated Press.)

Coast League			
Portland	22	22	414
Los Angeles	20	24	279
Mission	22	25	261
Hollywood	22	24	261
San Francisco	22	24	262
Oakland	20	24	267
Sacramento	22	24	265
Seattle	18	49	224

National League			
Chicago	47	27	682
Pittsburgh	47	27	564
New York	46	25	545
St. Louis	40	40	509
Philadelphia	31	42	454
Cincinnati	32	21	427
Philadelphia	31	29	425
Boston	48	72	490

American League			
Philadelphia	51	25	587
New York	49	28	588
St. Louis	45	27	583
Cleveland	43	28	521
Detroit	47	25	567
Washington	44	28	453
Chicago	48	72	402
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