

CHAMPION CARDS START NEW YEAR IN FEEBLE FORM

First Week Finds St. Louis In Seventh Place After Four Straight Defeats—Giants Also Slow to Start

By Gayle Talbot
(Associated Press Sports Writer)

With the big league ball season one frigid week old, it begins to look as if the champion St. Louis Cardinals will receive a run for their money in the national league.

In losing their fourth straight home game yesterday the champions set a new low for the last two seasons, dropping into seventh place. Their longest losing streak at Sportsman's park last season was three straight, and only once did they drop four in a row on the road.

Long Climb Ahead

Where they started last season with a succession of triumphs winning eight of their first eleven games and taking a lead they never relinquished, they found themselves today with only two wins in six starts and a long, uphill climb before them.

It is probable Sergeant Street's boys will collect themselves soon and move around the top, but the odds are long against their making another such runaway as that of last year. Charlie Root of the Cubs set them down with four hits yesterday and would have scored a shutout but for an error by Rookie Bill Herman in the ninth. The score was 3 to 1.

Giants Also Slow

The one cheering note for the Cardinals is that the New York Giants, generally regarded as their most dangerous rivals, have an even worse start. Walter Bets of the Boston Braves handed the McGrawmen a 7 to 1 beating yesterday, sending them definitely into the basement.

Led by Babe Herman and Ray Kolp, the Cincinnati Reds further aroused their constituency with a 5 to 0 win over Pittsburgh. Kolp held the Braves to five hits while Herman drove in four of the Reds' runs with a double and a homerun.

Babe Phelps, a sensation for Brooklyn in 1930 and a flop in 1931, made his debut by blanking the Phillies, 8 to 0, on six hits.

Solons Drub A's

The Washington Senators supplied the fireworks in the American league with a crushing 15 to 7 triumph over the Athletics. Walt Johnson's proteges topped things off with a six-run spurge in the ninth, to which Sam West and Joe Judge contributed homers.

Wes Ferrell rang up his second victory as Cleveland stopped the Chicago White Sox, 2 to 1. Vic Frazer pitched sterling ball for the losers, permitting five hits in eight innings, but the Sox made six errors behind him.

Whitlow Wyatt of Detroit likewise scored victory No. 2 as the Tigers took a loose one from the St. Louis Browns, 14 to 7.

The Yanks and Red Sox were not scheduled.

Berlin Recreates Low Crime

BERLIN—(AP)—Crime's true low was reached here when counterfeiters started putting out fake four pennies, each coin being worth approximately one cent.

Maps Guide Berlin Blind

BERLIN—(AP)—To assist blind persons, maps in relief showing bus street car and subway lines to various sections of the city have been placed on principal street corners.

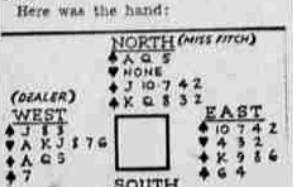
Tips on CONTRACT

OVERCALLING PREEMPTIVE BIDS
By Tom O'Neil

Preemptive original game bids are made because the hand of the bidder is of little use defensively and is highly strong in one suit.

The theory is that if partner of the original bidder has not strength enough to make the contract a success the opponents have game possibilities and will be shut out with small loss to the preemptive bidder.

Opponents with hands of great distributional strength are not deterred by preemptive bids and at times overcall them successfully. One of the accomplishments of Miss Florence Fitch of the Deschapelles club, New York, is a slam on such an overcall on which she was doubled.



The bidding: West, four hearts; north, five clubs; east, five hearts; south, six clubs; west, double; north, east and south, pass.

Miss Fitch cross-ruffed hearts and diamonds until the knave of diamonds and set up the queen of hearts the only one of the suit left in dummy and she discarded it on doubled contract.

THE PLAY

| Trick | EAST | SOUTH | WEST | NORTH |
|-------|------|-------|------|-------|
| 1 | ♥ | 5♥ | 6♥ | 8♥ |
| 2 | ♣ | 5♣ | 3♣ | 2♣ |
| 3 | ♣ | 7♣ | 7♣ | 3♣ |
| 4 | 2♥ | 9♥ | J♥ | 8♥ |
| 5 | ♠ | 5♠ | Q♠ | 4♠ |
| 6 | ♠ | 10♠ | 7♠ | Q♠ |
| 7 | ♠ | J♠ | A♠ | 7♠ |
| 8 | ♠ | 10♥ | K♥ | 8♥ |
| 9 | K♠ | A♠ | 1♥ | 10♥ |
| 10 | 2♠ | 6♠ | 3♠ | Q♠ |
| 11 | 4♠ | Q♠ | 5♠ | J♠ |
| 12 | 7♠ | 9♠ | J♠ | A♠ |
| 13 | 10♠ | K♠ | A♥ | 5♥ |

LAMPORNT AND DE VOE TEAMS TAKE OPENING GAMES IN KITTENBALL

To start the schedule for the kittenball series here, DeVoe's defeated Your Office Boys 6 to 4 and Lampport's won from Jennings' Tire, 11 to 10 in the contests staged on Van Scoyoc field last evening.

In the seventh inning Lampports made four runs to get in the lead of the fast-moving tilt.

Batteries for the events were Elliott and Harrington, DeVoe's; Colton and Leonard, Your Office Boys; Ray Singler and C. Spears, Lampport's; and Singler and Stafford, Jennings' Tire.

T. I. Deck and Johnson were umpires. Playing for DeVoe's were Harrington, Elliott, I. Bowman, Dick Lewis, B. Finch, Zumbrunn, Dudley, Guenther, L. Older, Smith. For the Office Boys were T. Leonard, S. Colton, B. Keeney, J. Watson, J. Trill, T. White, W. White, J. Smirth, H. Payne, D. Watson.

Lampport's players included C. Spears, Ray Singler, T. Williams, R. Green, Dan Watson, M. Steu, V. Swanson, F. Perl, H. Isaac, L. Franks. The Tiremen were O. Stafford, D. Singler, R. Singler, F. Dunn, C. Dunn, C. Laws, S. Jennings, F. Runtz, J. Dudley and B. Jennings.

Roseburg—P. R. Walker opened real estate office in Roseburg National bank building.

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PORTLAND OPENS HOME SEASON IN TILT WITH REDS

(By Associated Press)

Coast leaguers prepared for new assaults on new fronts today to open the third week of the annual baseball war. The artillery was quiet yesterday as the big guns were being shunted off to new salients.

San Francisco will meet the invasion of the Oaks tonight, the other games being daylight contests. Portland was entrenched in the home grounds against the Missions, the Angels went to Sacramento, and the Hollywood Stars were far from home among the Tribe's wigwams in Seattle.

The Seals remained at the top of the league—just as a week ago, with Sacramento, Hollywood and Portland completing the first division.

The fourth place Portland Ducks are leading the coast league in team batting average with Sacramento, the team that pre-season dope figured one of the weakest outfits in the league, in second place. The Ducks' average is .351 and Sacramento's .347.

two players each batting above the 400 mark. The veteran Larry Woodall, Sacramento catcher, is leading the league with a mark of .500 in the 11 games played. Bob Johnson of Portland is second with .483 in the 14 games. Frank Demaree, Solon outfielder, is third with .472. Moore, of Portland, also is above the 400 mark, batting .418 to place eighth in individual batting honors.

FIND GOOD FISHING BIG BUTTE WATER

Dr. Emmett J. Carpenter and party spent Saturday afternoon and Sunday on Big Butte creek, where despite the rainy weather one member of the group caught the limit of large trout, and the others also made good catches.

Accompanying Dr. Carpenter were Clifford Schafer, Frank Hardesty, and Frank Roberts. Salmon eggs were used for bait.

Briand in "Ole Cloes"
PACY-SUR-EURE, France—(AP)—A monument to Aristide Briand, showing the late foreign minister in old clothes and with a fishing rod, is to be erected in this, the nearest city to the hamlet of Cochezel, where Briand had his country home.

Craters in East Indies
BANDA NEIRA, Moluccas—(AP)—Several new volcanic craters have opened in this district of the East Indies, the eruptions being accompanied by earthquakes and landslides. Many villagers took refuge in the forests.

COUNTY SCHOOLS IN TRACK MEET HERE SATURDAY

During the past several weeks, students of all of the schools in the county with the exception of Medford and Ashland, have been practicing for the annual field and track meet scheduled for Saturday, April 23 at the Jackson county fairgrounds. A. H. Fitch has been appointed manager of the meet.

In the town and rural divisions, silver loving cups will be given the winning teams, the trophies having been donated by the Rotary, Kiwanis and Active clubs of Medford, and the Ashland Rotary club. Individuals winning the events will be awarded ribbons in first, second and third places.

Brophy's jewelry store on Main street will display the trophies this week. According to announcement, they will be given the winning schools at the close of the meet Saturday.

Standings of school teams will be determined by a point system, with three places figuring in the town school events, and five for the rural schools. Both boys and girls will compete.

Classifications are to be arranged according to enrollment with A, B, and C for the towns and A and B for the rural.

SANDE RETURNS TO TURF WHEN CASH RUNS SHORT

By Orlo Robertson
(Associated Press Sports Writer)

NEW YORK, April 19—(AP)—Earle Sande is on his way back to the top again, with designs on the Kentucky derby.

Winner of three derbies, a feat equaled only by the great Isaac Murphy, Sande again has answered the call of the turf with hopes of being the first to boot home four winners in the \$50,000 blue grass classic, which will be renewed at Churchill Downs May 7.

Sande hasn't got a mount yet but he has several prospects. Maxie Hirsch, trainer of Mrs. Louis G. Kaufmann's tick and on and on post, has promised him one of the colts if both are sent to the post. Pete Wallis, contract rider for the stable, will get his choice but even Hirsch can't decide which is the better of the two.

grounds will then be in first-class shape for the events.

Ten lettermen from the Southern Oregon Normal school will assist Fitch, but other officials for the field carnival have not been named.

According to the usual custom, the Bellevue Parent-Teachers' will serve a luncheon at noon at the fairgrounds.

Events scheduled for the morning are:

Seven inning volleyball game, 800 yard run, 50 yard dash, 100 yard dash, 120 yard hurdles, 80 yard hurdles, pole vault, high jump, broad jump, girls baseball throw, flag race for girls, hop, step and jump, 75

Two years ago Sande returned to the saddle after a disastrous experience as trainer and owner, to ride to fame and fortune aboard Gallant Fox. He previously had won the derby with Flying Ebony and Zev.

The task of making weight told on America's turf idol, however, and he turned to the movies and radio to keep his mind off the job.

Earle's comeback campaign was given a temporary setback yesterday when he was suspended for three days for misbehavior at the post.

"It was my fault," Earle said. "I was too anxious to get away on Top."

Sande has money but most of it is tied up in real estate. He admits the need of ready cash was a factor in his decision to return to the saddle.

The afternoon's schedule includes 50 yard dashes, 100 yard dash, 220 yard run, shot put, javelin, sack race, 440 relay, 220 relay.

Stockholm Needs Room
STOCKHOLM—(AP)—An international contest for city planning experts is to be held by this capital.

The city intends to modernize the Normalm district, whose old, narrow streets can not carry modern traffic.

Roseburg—Plans under consideration for establishment of bus line to operate between here and site of northwest national soldiers' home.

FOOTBALL INQUIRY BRINGS CRITICISM ON RULE REVISION

WILMINGTON, O., April 19—

(AP)—The revised football rules, relating to the kickoff, were exposed to a coach's criticism that they were responsible for the critical injury of one of his players.

Tom Williams, 19, a Wilmington high school player, suffered a brain concussion in a practice game yesterday while trying to block an opponent.

Coach Amos Smith said Williams, playing as guard, on the defensive team, was exposed to great possibility of injury because the new rules prevented him from meeting the full speed of an opposing player with equal force.

The Wilmington team went thru a 10-game schedule last season, undefeated and without a serious injury, but Smith predicted the new kickoff rule will "result in more injuries than ever."

To Recall Disarmament
GENEVA—(AP)—As mementos of the disarmament conference, the Swiss government is distributing a booklet containing complete series of the postage stamps issued in honor of the gathering.

Klamath Falls—Plans under way to remodel Klamath Variety store. Halsey—W. J. Moore of Brownsville leased local blacksmith shop.



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