

Big Crowds Inspire Major Leaguers in Opening Games of Season

TIGHT CONTESTS SEEN BY FANS IN INITIAL TURNOUT

Carl Hubbell Hurts 4-Hit Game to Win, 6-1, for Giants—Warneke Misses No-Hit Game by Lone Hit

By HUGH S. FULLETON, JR., Associated Press Sports Writer

Major league baseball clubs today settled down to the serious business of daily games, hopeful a glorious round of opening contests had set the keynote for the entire season.

Encouraged by fine weather, the fans poured through the turnstiles in greater numbers yesterday than in either of the past two seasons. Inaugurals, although the aggregate attendance fell far short of the 1931 record turnout of 249,010. In all, more than 187,000 attended the eight opening games.

37,000 See Giants Win

The world champion New York Giants attracted a crowd befitting their high station, about 37,000, and the faithful were rewarded by seeing Carl Hubbell, last year's world series hero, pitch four-hit ball to beat the Phillies, 6 to 1. The rebuilt Red Sox were the leading attractions of the American league as they clashed with the champion Washington senators.

The crowd of 33,336 which filled Fenway park was one of the best on record in Boston and it had plenty of thrills in an eleven-inning struggle which Washington won, 6 to 5. Throngs of around 30,000 also appeared at Brooklyn, where the Dodgers inaugurated Casey Stengel's managerial reign by beating the Boston Braves, 8 to 7, in an exciting slugfest, and at Cincinnati, where the first view of the rebuilt Reds proved mostly to be a view of Lonnie Warneke, Chicago's stellar right hander.

Warneke Blanks Reds

Pitching in mid-season form, Warneke missed a no-hit, no-run game by one throw as he blanked the Redlegs, 6 to 0, and whiffed 13 batters. Cincinnati didn't get a hit until after one was out in the ninth when Adam Comorosky connected for a single. Chuck Klein, imported from Philadelphia to aid the Cubs' slugging, celebrated his debut with a home run.

Hubbell also hurled a masterful game for the Giants, who showed they were the same team of opportunity that won the world championship last year. They started out by scoring a run without a hit, then followed up with some timely batting in which Bloddy Ryan stood out. Jimmy Wilson, Phil's manager, took Hubbell's shutout away with a homer in the seventh.

Washington's triumph came on an eleven-inning run off Henry Johnson after the Red Sox had overcome a five-run deficit to tie the score in the eighth. Manager Joe Cronin started the rally with a double that upset Johnson so he hit one batsman and walked another. Then Pinch Hitter Dave Harris hit a grounder which Buck Walters juggled long enough for Cronin to score.

Athletic Trim Yanks

The Athletics staged a similar rally to defeat the highly touted Yankees, 6-5, in a mixed up game that saw 18 passes given out. A run behind in the ninth, the A's rallied to win when Bing Miller patted a pinch single for the third hit of the inning.

With 21,000 fans looking on, Cleveland's Indians made high hits good for a 4-to-2 victory over Rogers Hornsby's Browns as Earl Averill smacked in three tallies with a homer and a double. Mickey Cochrane and his Detroit Tigers showed a new brand of spryness as they converted six blows into an 8-to-3 triumph over Chicago.

St. Louis Cardinals with Dizzy Dean holding forth on the mound, pounded out the day's high total of 13 hits and trimmed the Pittsburgh Pirates, 7 to 1. Behind Dean's sixth hit hurling, Ducky Medwick socked a homer and two singles and Pepper Martin hit a brace of doubles. Brooklyn and Boston also clouted the new National league ball effectively.

Homers by Dan Taylor and Hack Wilson contributed five runs to Brooklyn's early lead which lasted through a ninth-inning rally by the Braves.

LEVINSKY GIVEN CLOSE DECISION

LOS ANGELES, April 18.—(AP)—King Levinsky had a close 10-round decision to his credit today to save the puffed eyes and sore lips and nose Lee Ramage, the San Diego sharpshooter, gave him before 10,000 persons here last night.

Referee George Blake, after a moment of hesitation, raised the Chicago fish peddler's hand in token of a victory several of the cash customers felt had not been earned.

MONMOUTH DEFEATS OREGON STATE, 11-6

MONMOUTH, April 18.—(AP)—Behind two-hit pitching by Treadway Charles, Oregon Normal school pitcher, the teachers gained an 11 to 6 win over Oregon State college in their baseball game here yesterday. The Staters had previously won two toped games here.

SHE TORE UP DEMPSEY'S SHIRT!



Jack Dempsey lost a ring battle at Alexandria, La., when 95-pound Mrs. Johnny Plummer jumped through the ropes and tore up the former champion's shirt and pulled his hair. The trouble started when Dempsey, as referee of a wrestling match between Plummer and Bruce Noland, warned Plummer not to kick Noland. Finally the dispute reached the point where Dempsey swung three uppercuts to Plummer's chin—and Mrs. Plummer became enraged. Plummer and his wife are shown after the battle. (Associated Press Photo)

DUCKS GRAB 3-2 WIN FROM REDS IN HOME OPENER

12,000 Fans Pack Portland Park to See Fine Game Won by Ninth Inning Rally—Seattle Loses, 7 to 5

Scores Yesterday, Portland, 3; Missions, 2. Seattle, 5; Hollywood, 7. Los Angeles, 6; Oakland, 0. Sacramento, 5; San Francisco, 2.

By the Associated Press. The confident prediction of H. L. Baggerly, president of the Pacific Coast league, that baseball would stage a come-back this year appeared likely of fulfillment today as far as the northern part of the circuit is concerned.

Some 12,000 fans packed the park at Portland yesterday to see the Beavers defeat the San Francisco Missions, 3 to 2, with a thrilling ninth inning rally, while Seattle lost its first home game to Hollywood, 7 to 5, before 8,000 spectators, one of the largest crowds there in the last two years. Parades preceded the games that opened the season for the two cities.

With the score tied at 2-2 in the ninth inning, First Baseman Earl Shely singled, went to third when Catcher Frank Cox doubled and raced in with Portland's winning run when Shortstop Chet Wilburn lifted a long fly. The Indians used five pitchers in a fruitless attempt to stop the Stars. Pay Thomas chalked up his third

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HIGH SCHOOL AND OFFICE BOYS WIN

By Harold Grove In a catball game where the lead changed twice in the same inning, the high school defeated Lamport's 9 to 5 while Your Office Boys defeated the Standard Oil 13 to 1. The high school took to the field in the first inning and the outs went smoothly for three of them. The high school did the same thing that

Oklahoma Outlaw Killed by Officer

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., April 18. (AP)—David Stovall, outlaw, known also as E. P. (Slippery), Elmer and Cal Spencer, died of a bullet wound in a hospital here today. Trapped by deputy sheriffs here last night, Stovall crawled out to a taxicab with a pistol in his hand and an officer shot him through the head.

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APRIL FROLIC SLATED FOR JACKSON SCHOOL NEXT FRIDAY EVENING

(Contributed) It is April frolic time for everyone at the Jackson school next Friday evening. Mrs. Stanley Jones, Mrs. Arthur Schmidt and Mrs. Walter White have been planning and working for weeks to make this the biggest and best frolic of all. They have promised plenty of good food, fun and entertainment.

Supper begins at 6 p. m. It is cafeteria style as usual. The hot dogs will be cooked right before your eyes, while you wait, by Mrs. R. I. Flaherty. Mrs. Watson will serve the hot dishes. The salads are to be served by Mrs. Thompson. Mrs. Cowgill will see that you get plenty of sandwiches. Then to finish up, pies and cakes by Mrs. Olmstead and Mrs. Jarmin.

Mrs. Scripper will see that you have all the coffee you want, and last, but not least, you will find a candy booth with Mrs. Culy to wait on you, and there will be plenty of home made candy.

Mrs. Herman will dispense the ice cream. Too, there will be popcorn balls that you get from Mrs. Cleveland. All the eats will be priced reasonably and the coffee is free—all you want.

Then the fun—Mrs. Wolf is planning a fish pond that the kiddies will enjoy. Roy Elliott will be on hand with an interesting game. There will be prizes—many of them unusual, and plenty of them.

The kiddies of Jackson school will present a varied program from 7:30 to 8:30. To finish up, there will be a parade by the kiddies with prizes offered for the best and funniest costumes. This annual affair is the outstanding event of the year at Jackson school as far as fun is concerned. Every mother, dad and kid are all excited about the frolic.

The public is invited. Plenty of good eats and an evening of fun and entertainment is promised. Don't forget the April frolic, Friday, April 20, at the Jackson school, at 6 p. m.

ECKLUND KAYOES PAXTON IN FOURTH

PORTLAND, April 18.—(AP)—Six Ecklund of Portland punched himself free from the constant clinching of Bert Paxton of Detroit and knocked him out in the fourth of a scheduled six-round bout here last night.

Despite his eight-pound weight advantage, Paxton 174, hugged, wrestled and waltzed the first three rounds. Then Ecklund discovered that over-hand punches would do the work and soon had him in the open, where he hammered him to the canvas.

Johnny Higgins, 141, Salem, sent a left-handed paralyzer to the stomach and a right to the jaw to knock out Johnny Shaw, 144, San Francisco, in the third round of a scheduled four-round match.

A furiously fought bout between Rollie Westerman, 136, and Clem Lombright, 132, both of Portland, ended in a draw. Roe Dumaguille, 128, Manila, gained a technical knockout over Dane Brady, 130, Vernonla, in the third of a scheduled four-round fight.

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GRANTS PASS, April 18.—(Spl.)—With several new faces to be seen in the lineup of the Grants Pass ball club, Manager Ken Williams said Tuesday he is confident of winning the southern Oregon league pennant and the state semi-professional championship.

Two good workouts are to be given the men of the merged team this week, Williams said, before he will decide who is to be on the first string.

The new set of suits, purchased by various merchants and business men of town, have arrived and will be worn Sunday, April 22, when the Merchants open the league season here with the Medford Rogues.

Mineral Exhibits Wanted

Miners of southern Oregon are urged to get in touch with H. B. Cady, chairman of Oregon's Diamond Jubilee mineral exhibit, as early as possible, to enter displays of ores and minerals. A large building will be available for the display which will be viewed by thousands of visitors during Jubilee week.

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