

Sport Graphs

Billy Hulén Says:

New York Scribe Claims Marriage Collapsed Yanks

Mr. Dan Daniel of the New York World-Telegram has answered a question that has been bothering us, and undoubtedly millions of other fans, for the past month or so: to wit, What REALLY is the matter with the Yankees and why aren't they going to win their fifth straight American league pennant?

Writing in the Sporting News, last issue, the man recognized as being probably the keenest of the nation's baseball scribes shoots the well-known "woiks" and puts the finger on what he calls "the paramount reason for the collapse" of one of the greatest ball clubs ever put together.

According to Mr. Daniel the trouble with the Yanks is, hold your breath, nothing more startling than marriage. Yes, the mighty Bronx Bombers have done an el foldo because members of that austere aggregation have decided that two can live as cheaply as one, and have done something about it.

"We all know that marriage has a disturbing effect on most ball players," Daniels wrote. "It forces a ball player to change his chief center of interest from himself to another person. For years and years he has been something of an egomaniac. Suddenly he discovers he doesn't love himself as much as he does a new object of affections."

"The cumulative effects of marriage on a ball club are tremendous. When a team establishes itself as a successful one, usually after two world series, the egomaniacs who have been suffering through bachelorhood suddenly find that they are getting older without having anchored themselves in life, or set up an establishment. They find they have the money to marry, and the next thing you know there is an epidemic of marriages on that club."

"That's what happened on the Yankees. There are very few bachelors left on the team. Why, even in this terrible season of failure, in July, Steve Sundra and Buddy Roser got married. Their minds might have been on the intricate problems confronting the ball club and themselves. Ordinarily a manager exercises a certain prerogative and forbids marriages during the season."

"But when McCarthy told Sundra and Roser they could get hitched he recognized the handwriting on the wall for his ball club and wanted the players concerned to get their marriage worries out of their systems as soon as possible."

"Last winter Joe DiMaggio got married. Spud Chandler and Marius Russo also are recent bridegrooms. Within the period of Yankee successes, Red Rolfe, Frankie Crosetti and others have taken the leap. This is not an argument that ball players should take a vow of celibacy. But it is an analysis of the reasons for the collapse of the Yankees. It is the paramount factor."

So, thank you Mr. Daniel, and we wonder if it wouldn't be a good idea for somebody to make a check on the Portland Beavers and find out how many of them are going home to the little woman after their days work (?) Probably all of them are.

HOW THEY STAND

(By the Associated Press)

American	W.	L.	Pct.
Cleveland	89	45	.605
Detroit	86	49	.574
Boston	62	52	.544
Chicago	56	52	.517
New York	57	55	.518
Washington	46	64	.424
St. Louis	47	60	.405
Philadelphia	42	67	.381

National	W.	L.	Pct.
Cincinnati	69	40	.633
Brooklyn	65	45	.591
New York	55	51	.519
St. Louis	54	53	.508
Pittsburgh	54	54	.500
Chicago	57	57	.500
Boston	45	66	.394
Philadelphia	37	68	.352

Pacific Coast	W.	L.	Pct.
Seattle	80	51	.611
Los Angeles	80	63	.562
Oakland	80	60	.571
San Diego	70	72	.500
Sacramento	74	73	.507
Hollywood	71	74	.490
San Francisco	64	81	.441
Portland	45	100	.310

Ernie Piluso Grapples Mike Nazarian in Armory Tonight

BOTH GLADIATORS CONFIDENT THEY CAN WHIP ENEMY

Hagen Meets Belcastro in Middle Go — Wagner to Open Card With Kenaston

One of two nifty grappling winning streaks will be snapped off short in the armory tonight when Mike Nazarian, the big, mean Armenian who has copped three straight matches here, goes forth to battle Ernie Piluso, unbeaten in his last two jaunts to the barrier.

One of the victory strings will be broken, that is, if the match doesn't wind up in a draw. And to hear the two participants mouth their insults at each other, it doesn't appear like the fracas has a chance of going the one-hour limit to a tie verdict.

Supporting the expected sensational main event will be a pair of extra-fine preliminary struggles, both of them pitting a clean and scientific matman against a villain of the muddiest hue.

Jack Hagen, whose initial appearance here last week resulted in a loss to Otis Clingman, will face Mad Italian Pete Belcastro in the center tiff, slated for six 10-minute heats or the best two out of three falls.

Bobby Wagner, a number one "right" guy, will face a dyed-in-the-wool "wrong" character in the six round opener, colliding with Bob Kenaston of Gold Hill. Both these supporting bouts are rated toss-ups, with any slight advantage going to the had boys—Belcastro and Kenaston.

Tossup Match
As for the top tiff between Piluso and Nazarian, local prognosticators are having a difficult time "doping" the outcome. Piluso is a well-known villain killer as proved in the past two weeks when he shelled Danny McShane and Belcastro. However, Nazarian figures to prove perhaps considerably tougher than either of these two bad men.

Although Nazarian is rated an unorthodox matman, his tactics aren't quite so foul and loathsome as those of other infamous gladiators who could be mentioned. He is a soiled gentleman, all right, but in his behalf it must be stated that he mixes a certain amount of legitimate maneuvering with his brute stuff. That's why he may give Piluso a terrific tussle.

Promoter Mack Lillard looks for a large crowd to attend, with the main fracas pulling them in in droves. The program will start at 8:30 sharp.

BOXMEN IN MEET OPENER TONIGHT

Salem, Aug. 18.—(P)—The seventh annual Oregon softball tournament opens here tonight, with 16 teams, all district champions, competing.

Four games are scheduled, starting at 7:30 p. m., on Sweetland field. The same number of contests will be played tomorrow.

The Joe Mann Fuellers of Portland are the defending titlists.

Tonight's schedule: 7:30—St. Helens vs. Corvallis; 8:30—Portland's No. 2 entry vs. central Oregon; 9:30—Joe Mann Fuellers of Portland vs. Portland Firemen; 10:30—Forest Grove or Hillsboro vs. Medford.

LOUIS MAY FIGHT BAER OR COMISKEY AT FAIR

Sacramento, Cal., Aug. 18.—(P)—Jack Kearns admitted today he was interested in a proposal to bring heavyweight champion Joe Louis to the San Francisco fair for a fight with either Max Baer or Edward Patrick Comiskey.

Kearns, one-time manager of Jack Dempsey, said he would confer today with a group of business men who were considering staging the Treasury island bout.

He said he would make an offer to Mike Jacobs for Louis' services.
Kearns talked yesterday with Ancel Hoffman, manager of Max and Buddy Baer, concerning a proposed Max Baer-Comiskey fight at Jersey City.

Battles Belcastro Tonight



Young Jack Hagen (above) of Shreveport, La., will face a tough wrestling opponent in the armory tonight when he goes against Pete Belcastro, the Weed, Cal., toughie. Hagen, a clean, scientific matman, will be making his second appearance here this evening. They meet in the middle event.

Bush Baseball Boss Would Use 'Magic Eye' As Umps

Wichita, Kas., Aug. 18.—(P)—He's already taken the stoop and squat from among the umpire's duties with his automatic plate duster. Now Raymond Harry Dumont plans to take out the plate umpire himself.

The emancipator of the arbiters is negotiating for a "magic eye" and an automatic ball and strike indicator for use in the 1941 national semi-pro baseball tournament.

A strike would be registered if a pitcher's offering broke the eye's rays by crossing the plate. Similar devices are used in many states as traffic regulators. Automobiles are counted automatically as they flash through the field of rays.

Dumont, president of the National Semipro Congress, already has devised the electric plate duster and the retractable microphone which permits arbiters to announce lineup changes directly to the fans.

The instrument also can be used to relay home plate arguments but games the first three days of the 1940 tournament have been placid.

With the advent of the "magic eye" an electrician's union card might be of greater advantage than a rule book.

THREE TIE FOR FIRST IN BLIND BOGEY EVENT

I. C. Irwin of Ashland, Douglas Gardiner and Tod Porter each won three golf balls as they tied for first place in the weekly blind bogey tournament at the Rogue Valley club Sunday afternoon. Bogey number was 66.

Lee Watson won low net prize, Dick Smith took high net and Bob Hammond won low gross.

Scores Yesterday

By the Associated Press

National League	W.	L.
St. Louis 3-5, Cincinnati 1-4		
Brooklyn 7-3, Boston 3-1		
Philadelphia 6-5, New York 3-6		
Chicago 6, Pittsburgh 1		

American League	W.	L.
Roston 4, Washington 2		
New York 9-3, Philadelphia 1-7		
Chicago 7, Detroit 5		
Cleveland 1, St. Louis 2 (game called ninth inn.)		

Pacific Coast League	W.	L.
Sacramento 5-4, Seattle 1-7		
Los Angeles 9-5, Portland 4-3		
San Diego 3-1, Oakland 0-2		
Hollywood 4-3, San Francisco 1-8		

Western International	W.	L.
Spokane 11-3, Salem 5-6		
Vancouver 5, Wenatchee 4		
Yakima 2-4, Tacoma 2-3		

Pioneer League	W.	L.
Boise 3, Salt Lake 7		
Ogden 3, Pocatello 4		
Idaho Falls 12, Twin Falls 10		

Walla Walla, Wash., Aug. 18.—(P)—Mark Donnelly, 29, locky was arrested near Walla Walla last night and ordered held for Eugene, Ore., authorities.

ROUNDUP CLOSSES WITH ATTENDANCE TOTAL AT 4,000

Bob Lockie of Redding Wins Bronc Riding Contest — Shepherd Best Calf Roper

Sponsors of the first Medford Roundup Days counted their enterprise a success today, following the second showing Sunday afternoon of the rodeo at the fairgrounds park. About 1,500 persons witnessed yesterday's program, bringing the total attendance for the two-day roundup to approximately 4,000.

Bob Lockie of Redding, Cal., took home the lion's share of prize money by finishing first in the bronc-riding contest over the two-day stretch. Tom Bride was second and Charley Stickney third.

The biggest thrill of Sunday's show came in the last event—the Brahma bull riding contest—when Clarence Buberneck struck on Cavanan for a complete ride. It was the first time the bull ever was ridden, and Buberneck was the only cowboy to make a complete ride during both days of the rodeo.

Fast Bulldogging
Buberneck also copped first money in Sunday's bulldogging contest, bringing his animal to earth in 9 4/5 seconds. Charley Stickney was second in 11 4/5 seconds and Si Elliott third in 13 3/5 seconds.

Chuck Shepherd won the calf roping contest in 17 seconds, with Len Perkins second in 22 seconds. Suck Brown grabbed top prize in the wild-cow stopping event in 6 2/5 seconds. Mrs. C. L. Dodge won the musical chair race, limited to woman contestants.

There was only one injury in the two-day rodeo. Sunday, Art Russell suffered a hurt shoulder and arm when the bucking bronc he was attempting to ride threw him to the ground in front of the bleachers. He was not seriously injured.

Considerable excitement was caused yesterday when a Brahma bull broke loose during an exhibition of trick riding by

LOUISVILLE MERMAID CAPTURES 3 AMERICAN SWIM CHAMPIONSHIPS

By Paul F. Ewing
Portland, Ore., Aug. 18.—(P)—A new American champion thrice-over towered today above competitors in the national women's AAU swimming championship which ended last night.

The girl: Mary Ryan, slender 15-year-old distance star of the Lakeside club, Louisville, Ky. The American records: 23 minutes, 15 seconds for the mile; 5 minutes, 30 and 1-10th seconds for the 440-yard free style; 11 minutes, 16 and 4-10ths seconds for the 880-yard free style.

Mary raced through the water with a long effortless stroke to win the 880 yesterday, 35 yards ahead of her teammate, Ann Hardin.

Mary's performance gave her the high individual point score of the meet, 15.
The Women's Swimming association of New York clinched Sunday's other feature, the 339-yard medley relay. Lacking a standout star, the New York squad showed uniform power and stamina to finish in 4:01.4.

Trailing were the Los Angeles Athletic club, Los Angeles, the Alexander House Community association of Laul, Hawaii, and the Multnomah club of Portland, respectively.

Death At Crossing
Centralia, Wash., Aug. 18.—(P)—A crash of a Northern Pacific passenger train and two motor vehicles killed one soldier and injured four other persons here today in a tragic postlude to the army maneuvers which ended in this region today.

British Rubber Deal
London, Aug. 18.—(P)—The British colonial office announced today "an additional agreement has been reached for the purchase by United States organizations through normal trade channels of further stocks of rubber."

Closing time for Top Late to Classified Ads is 1:30 p. m.

CHAMPS CROWNED IN GOLF TOURNEY

Astoria, Aug. 9.—(P)—Oregon coast golf crowns were worn today by Louis Rose of Portland, Jessie Miller of Astoria and M. M. Carson of Portland.

Rose, a public links player, captured the men under 32 years division Saturday by trouncing Bob McKendrick, a Portland caddy, 5 to 3.

Jessie Miller successfully defended the women's title, turning back Mrs. A. D. Hansen of Astoria, 5 and 4.

The men over 32 years championship went to Carson after he defeated Paul Walgren of Corvallis, 5 and 3.

Walter Cline of Salem defeated Ed Watson of Portland, 3 and 2, for first flight honors in the under 32 years division.

State Engineers Meet
Spokane, Aug. 18.—(P)—More than 400 of the outstanding mechanical engineers of the United States will gather in Spokane Sept. 3-6 for the annual convention of their association, E. B. Parker, Washington State College engineer and chairman of the convention committee, said today.

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ALBANY CRUSHES EUGENE, 10 TO 2

Eugene, Aug. 18.—(P)—Albany, rallying behind the seventh hit pitching of Oscar (Red) Miller, defeated Eugene, 10 to 2 yesterday in the deciding game of a play-off for the Oregon State Baseball league championship.

The title will not be officially awarded, however, until league president George Wilhelm rules on Eugene's protest of Saturday night's game, which Albany captured, 4 to 3.

After Carl Shoats stole home with the winning run in the ninth inning, Eugene protested the contest, charging Umpire Buzz Nonken called him out then reversed himself, allowing the run.

Sunday's score:
Albany 10 34 1
Eugene 2 7 1
Miller and Leptich; Wiltshire Day, Rehberg and Mattison.

SPOKANE ROOKIE HURLS NO-HITTER

By the Associated Press
The name of Bob Kinnaman, former Washington State college twirler, was inscribed today in the Western International league's hall of fame.

The Spokane Indians' rookie twirler, who previously had won only one game in five starts, twirled a no-hit, no-run game as the Indians defeated the Salem Senators 5-0 in the nightcap of a doubleheader in Salem yesterday. The Indians also won the first game 11-3.

Kinnaman allowed only three senators to reach first, all in the fourth, when he gave three passes after two were out. Levi McCormack, left fielder, kept the rookie's record clear by a running catch of Cliff Barber's fly ball of second base.

Valsets Goose-Egged
SDVortan, Aug. 18.—(P)—McElroy's dancers of Portland whitewashed Valsets, 5 to 6, here yesterday in the final game of a series for the Portland valley baseball league championship.

Closing time for Top Late to Classified Ads is 1:30 p. m.

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