

SPORTS

BOSTON DODGERS, CARDS, REDS WIN NATIONAL GAMES

Browns Down Detroit To Widen Lead—White Sox In Third Place.

By United Press

The canonizing continued today in the National league with five players getting round-trippers. Most notable was Ab Wright's which helped the Boston Braves defeat the New York Giants at the Polo Grounds for the first time this year, 7 to 2. It was Wright's third major league homer, the other two coming nine years ago in 1935, when he was with the Cleveland Indians. Nate Andrews pitched steady ball all the way to win easily on six hits. Gus Mancuso got his first homer of the year for the Giants.

Dixie Walker's fifth homer of the year for the Brooklyn Dodgers got 15-year-old Cal Coolidge McLish off to a good start in the first inning and he went on to defeat the Philadelphia Phillies 8 to 3. It was the "Kid's" third victory. Ron Northey homered for the Phillies.

The St. Louis Cardinals defeated the Pittsburgh Pirates 16 to 9, behind their ace pitcher, Mort Cooper. Ray Sanders hit his second homer in as many days for the Cards, to punctuate the Cardinal 22-hit attack.

The Cincinnati Reds gave their new rookie pitcher, Jim Konstanty, his first major league victory, 1 to 0, in a duel with the Chicago Cubs.

Paul Erickson of the Cubs appeared at first to have the better of the duel, holding the Reds scoreless until the seventh, when he was taken out and Paul Deringer finished. The Reds got only four hits to seven for the Cubs.

The St. Louis Browns widened their first place margin in the American league to three and a half games by defeating Detroit, 7 to 1. Charlie Muncie won his seventh game against only one defeat, holding the Tigers to six hits while the Browns got 15 off Johnny Gorsica.

The Chicago White Sox, behind the dependable pitching of Orval Grove, edged out the Cleveland Indians, 2 to 1, to take over third place undisputedly.

New York at Philadelphia and Washington at Boston in the American were postponed because of rain.

TENNIS AGES VIE FOR TITLE TODAY

Cincinnati, June 24—(U.P.)—Pauline Betz of Los Angeles and Dorothy Bundy will battle for the 43rd tri-state women's singles tennis championship crown here tomorrow while Francisco Segura of Ecuador and Bill Talbert of Cincinnati will vie for the men's title.

Miss Betz, the national Tennis champion, defeated Mary Arnold of Wilmington, Del., 6-2, 4-6, this afternoon. Miss Bundy, the national Clay Court champion, rallied after losing the first round, 3-6, to defeat Shirley Fry of Akron, O., by winning the last sets, 6-2 and 9-7.

The Ecuadorian romped in defeating Rowland Nord of Cincinnati, 6-0, 6-2, 6-3, while Talbert advanced to the finals by rolling over Jack McManis of St. Louis, 6-1, 6-2, 6-2.

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HOME RUNS SHOW HEAVY INCREASE IN BIG LEAGUES

New York, June 24—(U.P.)—Big league batsmen are turning the base lines into assembly lines for the greatest mass production of home runs since the era of the lively or "jackrabbit" ball, a "circuit-drive" through the record books showed tonight.

The hitters are giving the bleachers and fences a daily barrage of baseballs, with 14 out of the 16 major league teams showing increases in homer production over the corresponding period a year ago.

The National league, which for years had to stand on its reputation as the pitchers' circuit, has taken long distance hitting laurels away from the American with a total of 224 homers to date as compared with 167 for the junior loop.

Led by little Mel Ott, their manager, who is making his 20th big league year one of his greatest, the New York Giants show the greatest numerical increase in either league with a total of 51 homers to date as compared with 33 at this stage in 1943. Ott, leading both leagues with 18 homers, already has equalled his total production for 1943 and may challenge his top year of 1929 when he hit 42.

The Philadelphia Athletics, lax on long distance swatting in recent years, have made the greatest percentage advance of any team, this 19 homers to date being more than three times the unimpressive total of six they had compiled last year.

Only two teams, the New York Yankees, whose batting order used to terrify even the most stout-hearted pitchers, and the Philadelphia Phillies are below their 1943 production at this time. The Yankees have made 23 compared with 27 a year ago and the Phils show 18 against 21 in 1943.

BEAVERS BEATEN BY ANGELS, 8-2 HELSER POUNDED

Los Angeles, June 24—(U.P.)—Southpaw Ray Prim scattered five hits today and the Los Angeles Angels emerged with an 8 to 2 victory over the Portland Beavers at Wrigley Field. The triumph gave the Angels a 3 to 2 edge in the series.

Los Angeles pounded Roy Helsner and Clarence Federmeyer for 12 hits. Both Portland scores came in the sixth inning on a couple of errors by Shortstop Roy Smalley.

Johnny Ostrowski banged out three hits, including a homer, to account for half the Angel runs. The Angels scored twice in the first inning when Charlie English singled home Cere Garriott and Eddie Fernandes.

Three singles and two walks added three runs in the fifth, while Prim's double in the sixth accounted for another. Ostrowski's round-tripper in the eighth inning, with Fernandes aboard, finished the scoring. Portland..... 2 5 2
Los Angeles..... 8 12 3
Helsner, Federmeyer (6) and E. Adams; Prim and Fernandes.

San Diego, June 24—(U.P.)—The Hollywood Stars today pounded out a 7 to 3 victory over the San Diego Padres in a Pacific Coast league baseball game marked with errors. The series now stands three games to two in favor of the locals.
Hollywood..... 7 13 3
San Diego..... 2 4 2
Lowe, Valenzuela, (5), Dilbeck (9) and Salkeld.

CARDS OFFICIAL QUILTS
St. Louis, June 24—(U.P.)—Sam Breadon, president of the St. Louis Cardinals, announced tonight that Eddie Dyer, supervisor of the Cardinals AA clubs, has resigned to become affiliated with the oil business in Houston, Tex.

12 POLIO CASES
Santa Cruz, Cal., June 24—(U.P.)—The twelfth infantile paralysis case reported in the current polio wave in Santa Cruz county was recorded today by Dr. John D. Fuller, county health officer.

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BASEBALL

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WOMEN'S WESTERN OPEN TITLE WON BY MRS. ZAHARIAS

Former Olympic Star Shows Faultless Golf to Defeat Dorothy Germain.

Chicago, June 24—(U.P.)—Exhibiting almost faultless golf after a brief wild spell on the 15th and 16th holes, calm and nerveless Babe Didrikson Zaharias clipped three strikes off of women's par to amass a 7 and 5 triumph over Dorothy Germain, Drexel Hills, Pa., to capture the 15th Women's Western Open Golf title today.

It was the second open championship for Mrs. Zaharias, who defeated Mrs. Russell Mann at Milwaukee in 1940. The former Olympic star from Dallas, Tex., and recently from Beverly Hills, Calif., regained the title from Lt. Patty Berg of the Marines, who was eliminated in the quarter-finals.

Billed as the longest wood shooter in women's golf, the Babe did not restrict her talents to the woods today, as she did everything well. Particularly amazing to the 1,000-fan gallery was Babe's putting. She one-upped 14 greens out of 31 holes, sank a 25-footer on the fourth, and clipped over a styxie to hole out on the third.

Equally amazing was her deadly approach, which took much of the pressure off her putts by making them as short as possible. On eight of her 14 one-putt greens, her putts were four feet or less. Even-up at the 18-hole midway mark, Mrs. Zaharias' triumph was wrapped up in her tremendous stretch drive, which packed the kick of a miler running the final quarter. She birdied the 19th and parred the 20, one-putting each, to take a rapid 2-up margin. After halving the 21st, she swept two more holes, laying an approach three-feet from the pin on the 22nd for a birdie-4 and drove the 190-yard 23rd green for a par-3.

She birdied the 325-yard 25th to go 5-up. Then both opponents shot par golf for three holes for halves, before Mrs. Zaharias made things final by laying an approach one foot from the pin to par the 29th, and took the match with another par-4 on the 31st.

RACING

New York, June 24—(U.P.)—Alfred P. Parker's By Jimmy, a slim brown colt with wings on his heels, shook off two challenges and then romped home four lengths in front to capture the 56th running of the ancient Dwyer stakes at Aqueduct today.

With Ted Atkinson in the saddle, the son of Pharamond 2nd came home in front over the mile and a quarter route in the fast time of 2:03 2/5. Second came Greentree stable's Stir Up, and third by five more lengths was George D. Widener's Lucky Draw.

Detroit, Mich., June 24—(U.P.)—Kansas-born Johnny Adams, bounded back to the form that earned him his third national jockey championship in 1943, today rode five winners at Detroit to highlight a program in which his neighbor ran off with the featured \$7,500 added Marie Guyon handicap.

GUATAMALA FACES STUDENT STRIKE

Mexico City, June 24—(U.P.)—Gen. Jorge Urrutia, president of Guatemala, was reported here today to have posted machine gun crews on the national palace and other strategic buildings in Guatemala City as a student strike, protesting his suspension of constitutional guarantees, threatened to spread throughout the little Central American Republic.

Thus far there have been no reports of violence or bloodshed. The afternoon newspaper, *Ultimas Noticias*, quoted Jorge Garcia Granados, former Guatemalan congressman, as saying that since Thursday printed leaflets calling for a general strike "to overthrow the tyrant" have been circulated in Guatemala City.

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BASEBALL

National
Boston..... 7 10 0
New York..... 2 6 2
Andrews and Klutts; Melton, Adams, Polli, Seward and Mancuso.

Philadelphia..... 3 6 1
Brooklyn..... 8 9 0
Gercheuser, Mussili, Karl and Peacock; McLish and Owen.

Chicago..... 0 7 0
Cincinnati..... 1 4 0
Erickson, Derringer and Kreitner, Easterwood; Konstanty and Mueller.

St. Louis..... 16 22 0
Pittsburgh..... 0 3 2
M. Cooper and W. Cooper, Odea (4); Ostermueller, Rescigno (2), Vitelli (9) and Camelli.

American
Cleveland..... 1 8 0
Chicago..... 2 9 0
Reynolds, Heying and Rosar; Grove and Tresh.

Detroit..... 1 9 1
St. Louis..... 7 15 2
Gorsica and Richards; Muncie and Mancuso.

New York at Philadelphia, Washington at Boston, postponed.

BIG BILL TILDEN HITS CALIFORNIA NET OFFICIALS

Los Angeles, June 24—(U.P.)—Big Bill Tilden tonight drove a verbal cannonball serve at officials of the Southern California Tennis association who, he charged, were guilty of "dictatorship" and "lack of cooperation" in arranging exhibitions for servicemen.

Tilden said Perry T. Jones, association secretary, had denied Jack Knemeyer permission to appear in matches organized by Big Bill for service hospitals at Palm Springs and Pasadena this week end.

"As far as I know," said Tilden, "in no other part of the country have there been any objections raised for pros and amateurs playing together for the good cause."

"I am appealing to the players of southern California to break the dictatorship that appears to bind them, that would keep them from playing for any good cause for our servicemen."

Tilden challenged the association "and particularly Perry T. Jones, to professionalize in a group all of the amateurs who have thus violated the sacred rules of the U. S. Lawn Tennis association for what they rightly consider the greater cause of patriotism."

Secretary Jones parried with a public statement that association rules forbidding amateurs to play professionals had been relaxed, but only so far as professionals now in the service were concerned.

Replying to the charge that the California body was more stringent in its application of the ruling than other tennis groups, Jones announced that he had received a telegram of approval from Holcombe Ward, U. S. L. T. A. president.

TWO-TON TONY TO VISIT FRONT

Salt Lake City, June 24—(U.P.)—Former heavyweight contender Tony Galento, whose efforts to get in the army and "molder dem golman burns" has thus far been unsuccessful, said tonight he would do the next best thing and go overseas to entertain servicemen for the United Service organizations.

Willie Gilzenberg, Galento's manager, said the roly-poly boxer had completed arrangements for the trip in a long-distance telephone conversation with Jack Cuddy, United Press sports columnist, at New York.

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WAGNER, ACHIU RETURN BATTLE IS POSSIBILITY

In addition to the possibility of a rematch between Walter (Sneeze) Achlu and "Gorgeous George" Wagner on next Thursday night's armory wrestling card, two new matmen will display their wares to local fans, Promoter Mack Lillard announced Saturday.

The newcomers are Ivan Jones of Denver, Colo., and Tony Morelli of Florida. Jones has never appeared in southern Oregon but Morelli grappled here several years ago.

Although not too keen on attempting to bring Wagner and Achlu together again, Lillard said that he would make the effort in reference to the large number of mat addicts who want to see the thing go through.

The promoter made no bones of the fact he was no little irked at Wagner's antics on last week's program, when the glamour boy hippodromed all over the place, challenging Achlu, ranting at the fans and castigating Lillard, himself.

"I don't like to be high-pressed into anything and I don't believe Achlu does, either," Lillard explained. "Wagner acted like a spoiled brat with his violent demand for another crack at Achlu, but if Sneeze wants to take him on again it's okeh with me. I'll do the best I can to arrange it."

Wagner's bitterness toward everybody in general was born week before last, when Achlu trounced him in a torrid battle. Wagner claims that Achlu choked him while both were outside the ring, and that Lillard failed to intervene.

If permission from the proper military authorities can be obtained, Pvt. Peterson and Sgt. McCoy, both of Camp White, will go to the mat in a special attraction.

THE GRANGE

Central Point Grange
H. E. Club of Central Point Grange will meet with Mrs. Roy Green on the Old Stage Road at 1:30 p. m. Wednesday, June 28. Co-hostesses, Rachel Gish and Mary Taylor.

A report on H.E.C. activities of State Grange will be given followed by recreation led by Frances Tonn.

Phoenix Grange
H. E. C. of Phoenix Grange entertained their husbands Wednesday evening with a Chinese noodle and chicken pie dinner. Husbands were presented with sashes and gifts from their wives' Polly Anna's marking a belated Father's Day.

We also enjoyed the orchestra recently organized by the fire department of Phoenix (and were they good). About 70 Grangers and families enjoyed the dinner and evening of music and dancing.

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NO-HIT PITCHER TO FACE CRATERS THIS AFTERNOON

Charley Johnson of the Camp White Station hospital, the no-hit, no-run soldier flinger, is scheduled to take the mound against the Medford Craters at the fairgrounds park this afternoon in the second game of the round-robin playoff series for the Medford-Camp White league championship. The contest will begin at 2:30.

Johnson, big righthander, who blanked the WPRC without a blow, 2 to 0, last Sunday in the first tilt of the series, will be attempting to pitch his club to the title. If the Medics win today they will clinch the pennant.

However, if the Craters succeed in stopping the Hospitalmen, the championship will be still undecided and hinge on future play. If the Craters win today and then beat the WPRC next Wednesday night, they'll win the toga. But, if they win today and lose to the WPRC, the playoffs will be all tied up, with each of the three clubs having won one and lost one. In that case, the playoffs will have to be continued.

It was not known Saturday who would start on the mound for the Craters. The hurling choice lies among Dick Kidwell, Don Safford and Steve Crippen.

MOTHER HOPEFUL
Ontario, Cal., June 24—(U.P.)—Mrs. Lillian Twiford, mother of Lt. Col. James Cornet Ontario, listed by the Japanese radio as killed in a B-29 crash in the raid on Kyushu, said tonight she held hope her son was still alive.

MIDNIGHT LAUNCHING
Wilmington, Cal., June 24—(U.P.)—The 455-foot Victory transport S. S. Hendry was launched in midnight ceremonies at California Shipbuilding Yards, the second of its type completed by the yards.

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POLICE FORCE TO KEEP PEACE, AIM

Washington, June 24—(U.P.)—The Ball-Burton-Hatch-Hill group in the senate—strong advocates of a separate international police force to keep the peace—tonight called on all candidates for the presidency and for congress to state "clearly and forthrightly" their positions on foreign policy.

"It will be a tragedy indeed if the American people are denied the opportunity to express their will because men who aspire to high office evade the basic questions," they said in a formal statement.

MORE MEDALS
Washington, June 24—(U.P.)—Another award—the Navy Cross—had been added today to the honors won by Maj. Gregory Boyington of Okanagan, Wash., marine ace who was reported missing after shooting down his 26th enemy plane in the Pacific.

Sacramento, June 24—(U.P.)—Dr. Norman Fenton, professor of education at Stanford university, tonight prepared to take office July 1 as chief of a diagnostic clinic to be operated at San Quentin prison.

According to Gen. H. H. Arnold of the army air forces, army ordnance truck wheels are "rolling up the world's last frontiers."

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