

SPORTS

TORRID PENNANT RACE REMAINS IN 2-WAY DEADLOCK

Browns Blank Red Sox and Tigers Whip Athletics to Maintain Hot Pace.

St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 27.—(U.P.) In the event the St. Louis Browns and Detroit Tigers end the regular American league season in a tie, a one-game playoff will be held in Detroit. It was decided today by the flip of a coin.

New York, Sept. 27.—(U.P.)—The Detroit Tigers and St. Louis Browns remained tied for first place in the American league for the second consecutive day today and about the only certainty in the red-hot race was that the parties involved faced five days of almost nerve-racking tension.

Both clubs won again yesterday, both have identical won and lost records and both have five big games left to play, a trying situation for highly trained and keyed athletes. To each player, the difference in winning and losing the pennant means upwards of \$4,000 regardless of how they finish in the world series. Thus, every play means something extra to the participants and it is at this stage of the game that "money players," the fellows who don't get rattled when the chips are down, are worth their weight in world series checks.

The Tigers took a short-lived half game lead yesterday when Dizzy Trout pitched over to a 6-0, six-hit shutout over the Philadelphia Athletics in an afternoon game. The victory, Trout's 27th and his seventh shutout, was supported by a 13 hit offense from the Bengals.

The Browns came through in a night game to tie for first place, beating the slumping Red Sox, 1-0, in a pitching battle between Sig Jakucki and Veteran Mike Ryba. Jakucki pitched five-hit ball as the Browns achieved their seventh straight win and their 10th in their last 12 games.

Yanks Still In
The New York Yankees, the only ones who have not yet counted themselves out of the race, stayed within three games of the leaders by beating the Chicago White Sox, 9-5.

The last place Washington Senators defeated the Cleveland Indians 8-3 when they pounded five Cleveland hurlers for 15 hits.

In the National league the Cincinnati Reds won two from the New York Giants, 8-5 and 6-4 and the St. Louis Cardinals stretched their victory streak to seven by edging the Brooklyn Dodgers 8-7. The Chicago Cubs clinched fourth spot by winning the first of two top-sided games.



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from the Philadelphia Phillies, 15-0. The Phillies won the nightcap, 10-1. Pittsburgh defeated the Boston Braves 6-2.

JACK KAISER IN GOOD CONDITION FOR MAT BATTLE

Jack Kaiser, the Pacific coast light-heavyweight wrestling champion, will be in good condition for his main-event match with Harold (Buck) Davidson in the Medford armory Thursday night.

In his brawl with the "Gray Mask" on last week's card, Kaiser was at first believed to have suffered a couple of broken ribs along with a sprained wrist, but a later examination proved the ribs were only bruised. He will be close to top form for Davidson, Promoter Mack Lillard said today.

The man with the hood over his head and face will try to add the name of Paavo Katonen to his victory list in the other and upper half of the double main event, both of which will go on an hour or until one of the combatants obtains two falls.

The "Mask," displaying a lot of unorthodox tactics along with some really good legitimate work, whipped Kaiser in their non-title dual last Thursday and sees no reason why he can't do the same to Katonen, the ex-coast champ who recently lost his belt to Kaiser.

Pat O'Dowdy and Tex Porter will clash in the three-round opener.

SEGURA TO FACE ROGERS IN MEET

San Francisco, Sept. 27.—(U.P.) Francisco (Pancho) Segura, top-seeded foreign star from Ecuador will meet former Irish Davis Cupper George Rogers in a second-round match today after disposing of John Delantonio, San Francisco, 6-0, 6-2, in the 55th annual Pacific coast tennis championships yesterday.

Women's favorites, Louise Brough of Beverly Hills and Margaret Osborne of San Francisco, won easy first-round victories. Miss Brough blanked Mary Catherine, 6-0, 6-0, and Miss Osborne eliminating Phyllis Harrow, 6-1, 6-0.

GRIMM PROMISE KEPT WITH CUBS

Chicago, Sept. 27.—(U.P.)—Manager Charley Grimm of the Chicago Cubs today had kept a promise he made almost five months ago when he replaced Jimmy Wilson as the Cubs' manager.

When Wilson resigned after the Cubs had lost nine straight games, the team was in last place. Grimm, leaving his managerial post of the Milwaukee Brewers, took over the team May 7 and promised the Cubs would finish in the first division.

In a twilight-night double-header last night, the Cubs split with Philadelphia to clinch fourth place as the New York Giants, in fifth place, lost two to Cincinnati.

SERIES RESUME
Honolulu, Sept. 27.—(U.P.)—The service "world series" will be resumed today, with the Navy All-Star baseball team needing but one more win over the Seventh Army Air Force nine to clinch the crown after taking three straight victories.

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Cinderella Man Ray Eliot Of Illini Is Coach Of Week

By Joe James Custer
United Press Correspondent

New York, Sept. 27.—(U.P.)—His name was Nusspickel and when he came to college with \$8.50 in his pockets, a kindly dean of men offered to lend him enough money to go back home.

Today he is head coach and his rarin' tearin' "stop watch" backfield is exciting the fancy of football fans the country over. He is the United Press coach of the week, jovial Ray Eliot of Illinois.

For a success story with a Cinderella twist this is hard to beat. Now the toast of the Big Ten conference with his unexpectedly strong and alert eleven, his life is a far cry from the day back in 1928 when he got off the bus from Brighton, Mass., and took his first look at the Illinois campus.

When he sought to enroll the dean checked his financial status and told him "son you haven't enough money to go to college, you'd better let me stake you to a trip home."

Nusspickel ignored the dean's advice, changed his moniker to Eliot, which was his mother's maiden name and got a job. Four years later, he had won varsity letters in football and baseball, collected his physical education diploma. After marrying his college sweetheart, they went to Europe on a honeymoon with the money he had saved working his way through school.

In 1942 when he was named coach of the staggering Illini, the home folks in Brighton couldn't place him—they remembered only a kid named Nusspickel.

At that time the team hadn't won a major football game in three years and was the undisputed door mat of the Big Ten. Since then they have reached the point where every opponent respects them—this year the Illini are the dark-horse contenders for the conference championship.

Eliot's philosophy may explain why he is known as a "players" coach, why boys under him swear by and not at him. "I am a positive coach," he said. "On my staff, we tell the boys how to make the blocks and tackles and then we tell them they can do it. A lot of football is mental."

MILLER TO ASSIST AT IRISH SCHOOL

South Bend, Ind., Sept. 27.—(U.P.)—Creighton Miller, All-American Notre Dame halfback last year, will report next Monday to assist Head Coach Ed McKeever with the 1944 Irish team, university officials announced today.

Miller, who holds a one-year contract, is eligible for another year of competition under wartime rules, but high blood pressure has forced him to discontinue active participation in athletics. He reportedly has refused to play professional football with the Brooklyn Tigers and has chosen to study law.

EAGLES WIN
Boston, Sept. 27.—(U.P.)—The Philadelphia Eagles of the National Professional Football league, a hard-running, smooth-working grid machine marred the debut of the Boston Yanks last night when they scored in every period to defeat the circuit's new entry, 28-7, before more than 25,000 fans at Fenway Park.

University of Alberta was founded in 1906.

SWEDISH RUNNERS PLEASED AT TRIP

Stockholm, Sept. 27.—(U.P.)—Gunder Hagg and Arne Andersson, a two-man record breaking team of distance runners, expressed their pleasure today at their forthcoming trip to the United States but cautioned that Americans should not expect "too much from us."

Both doubted that they would be able to lower any of their records on the trip but they were happy to accept the invitation of the U. S. treasury department, announced here yesterday to make a cross-country tour to stimulate the sale of war bonds.

Schoolmaster Andersson, interviewed at the Institution for Wayward Children, where he is an instructor said he was "pessimistic over chances of doing well on indoor tracks."

Andersson holder of the world record of 4:01.6 for the mile, said he believed the four-minute distance for the event eventually would be achieved "but not this season and not by me."

TECH WILL OPEN AGAINST CLEMSON

Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 27.—(U.P.)—The black magic of double reverses, triple laterals and hidden ball plays, all sprung from the single wing-back, goes on its annual fall exhibition here Saturday when the defending Southeastern Conference champions, Georgia Tech, open the current season against the Clemson Tigers.

It's no secret around the flats that the grand old man, Coach W. A. Alexander, has his eye cocked toward another southeastern championship, and if he should get by Navy and Notre Dame, he'd have a strong bid for the mythical national title.

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TIGERS TO FACE MARSHFIELD WITH 1 LINEUP CHANGE

With one exception, Medford high's Black Tornado will have the same starting lineup against the Marshfield high Pirates here Friday night as that which opened against Weed last week.

Coach Al Simpson said today that he had shifted Bill Plaskett from right tackle to right end and inserted Lynn Bessonette into the right tackle position. The other posts will remain the same, with Cave at center, Cahill and Porter at guards, Sheldon at left tackle and Riggs at left end. In the backfield, Watson will be at quarter, Bostwick and Clark at the halfbacks and Doty at full.

The mentor planned to send his charges through a tough scrimmage session this afternoon and ease off Thursday night with a limbering-up drill under the lights. He said that all players were in excellent physical condition for their second clash of the season against a Marshfield eleven that is almost as big as the Tornado.

The Pirates, coached by Walter Commons, opened their campaign last Friday night with a 19 to 0 victory over the Ashland high Grizzlies. They tallied once in each of the first three periods and played the fourth quarter with second and third stringers.

According to information Simpson has, the Pirates employ the "T" formation and the Notre Dame box and boast a dangerous passing combination in Gassoway, a southpaw passer, and West, a big, rangy end.

ANGELS, SEALS START PLAYOFFS

San Francisco, Sept. 27.—(U.P.) The Los Angeles Angels, Pacific Coast league pennant winners, will attempt to lift the Governor's cup from the San Francisco Seals when the two teams meet in the seven-game final post-season playoffs, opening tonight at Seals stadium.

Los Angeles also won the regular season championship last year, but was eliminated in the playoffs by Seattle, San Francisco defeating the Rainiers in turn to take the cup.

Both teams will play without their star outfielders, Cecil Gariotti of the Angels having been summoned by his draft board, and Neil Sheridan of the Seals being ineligible because he was not with the team by August 1, deadline for playoff participation.

Chemist to Study Wood Utilization

Portland Ore., Sept. 27.—(U.P.) Stephen N. Wyckoff, director of the Pacific northwest forest and range experiment station at Portland, today announced appointment of Dr. Edward G. Locke as chemical engineer on the staff, to specialize in the engineering phases of the chemical utilization of wood.

Dr. Locke is well known in the northwest and graduated from the chemical engineering department at Oregon State college, with later graduate work at Ohio State university. He has been on the Oregon State faculty and has served as a consultant and chemical engineer with the division of industrial and resources development of the Bonneville Power Administration.

Ask Andrews Death Penalty



(Acme Telephoto) Mrs. Frances Andrews (center), 37-year-old Carmel Valley socialite, flanked by her husband, Frank Andrews, and Police Matron Alice Langley, leaves Salinas, Calif., jail to face trial for murder of 19-year-old Oklahoma farm boy, Jay Lovett. The state will demand death penalty.

PFC. SIZEMORE WINS MEDAL IN BATTLING JAPS

Mr. and Mrs. Albert R. Sizemore of Butte Falls have received word that their son, Pfc. Everett J. Sizemore, has been awarded the bronze star medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy. Pfc. Sizemore has been in the army for the past three years and is stationed in the South Pacific. Before entering the service he was in logging operations at Butte Falls. He has one brother and two sisters.

News of the award came from headquarters of the Seventh infantry division and was awarded for bravery against the enemy on Feb. 3, 1944, during the Kwajalein operation. "When a vicious counter-attack was launched from behind a bunker at a platoon with an exposed left flank," the letter said, "Pfc. Sizemore, an automatic rifleman, although within easy range of bursting enemy hand grenades, and in a fully exposed position, dropped to the ground and placed a heavy volume of close-range automatic rifle fire against the counter-attacking Japanese."

"This action, performed daringly and on his own initiative, completely broke up the enemy counter-attack and permitted the successful withdrawal of his platoon from a difficult situation."

HOUSING PINCH

Larned, Kas. — (U.P.) — The housing shortage may keep Pawnee county from having the services of a county farm agent for the duration of the war or until the housing situation improves. Two applicants for the vacancy have given up the position after efforts to find a residence proved futile. Carl Conger, the last county farm agent, owns his home here and plans to remain — so his house offers no solution.

DOES WELL WITH 13
Boston.—(U.P.)—Rex Cecil, new Red Sox hurler, who won his first major league ball game in the first big league ball park he ever saw, is convinced that 13 is not his unlucky number. Cecil arrived at Fenway park from California on Aug. 13 at one o'clock which is 1300 in service time. He won his first game a few hours later that day in the 13th inning when second baseman Bobby Doerr poled out a home run for the 13th run of the game.

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