

Giants Turn Back Cubs; Ott Eyes Pennant Hopes

SCORES YESTERDAY
National
New York 6; Chicago 5
Brooklyn 4; Pittsburgh 1
Cincinnati 5; Philadelphia 4

New York, May 15.—(U.P.)—The happiest guy in town today was ageless Mel Ott, the little giant who has high hopes at last of rewarding his loyal legion of fans with a National league pennant.

His team, with 17 victories in 22 starts, is off to the best getaway for the league since Cincinnati won the pennant in 1940 and there are no indications of a crack-up.

There are plenty of factors to account for the upsurge, but the biggest is a terrorizing display of home run and extra base power. That was the case yesterday when the Giants won their ninth game in the last 10, beating the well regarded Chicago Cubs, 6 to 5. The game went into extra innings and Phil Weintraub had to break it up with a single in the 10th which scored Ray Treadway from second.

The second place Dodgers kept on winning at Brooklyn, making it nine straight by defeating the Pirates, 4 to 1.

At Philadelphia, the Cincinnati Reds cashed in on three errors to score four unearned runs in the fourth and won, 5 to 4.

All American league games were rained out and St. Louis at Boston in the National moved up their game to create a double bill Wednesday.

Junior Hi Softball Season Ends In Tie

Medford and Ashland junior high school softball teams ended their season in a tie with two wins and two losses each, according to Norman Sting, Medford coach.

A play-off was scheduled yesterday but was postponed because of rain. It was mutually agreed to cancel the play-off because of too many activities in both schools which would not permit time to play the game, Sting said.

HOW THEY STAND

National		
New York	17	5 .773
Brooklyn	14	7 .667
Chicago	10	9 .526
St. Louis	9	10 .474
Pittsburgh	9	11 .450
Boston	8	10 .444
Cincinnati	8	11 .421
Philadelphia	5	17 .227

American		
Chicago	12	6 .667
New York	13	7 .650
Detroit	11	7 .611
St. Louis	9	9 .500
Washington	10	12 .454
Philadelphia	9	12 .429
Boston	8	12 .400
Cleveland	6	13 .316

Pacific Coast		
Portland	30	13 .698
Seattle	23	18 .561
Oakland	23	20 .533
San Diego	22	22 .500
Los Angeles	21	23 .477
Sacramento	20	22 .476
San Francisco	20	23 .465
Hollywood	12	30 .285

PANAMA SERVICEMEN PREFER SPORT NEWS

Ann Arbor, Mich., May 15.—(U.P.)—Servicemen in the Panama Canal Zone "want more news of athletics and less of how sports are being curtailed," Athletic Director Fritz Crisler of Michigan said today after returning from the defense area. Crisler went to the Canal Zone in March to help set up a sports program for servicemen there.

\$500 KISS

Milwaukee, Wis., May 15.—(U.P.)—A kiss she gave Arthur J. Machek, Milwaukee machine shop operator, on a date 46 years ago, paid Mrs. Clara Carcy, Highland Park, Ill., \$500 today. Machek, who died May 7, specified in his will that Mrs. Carcy was to receive that amount for the kiss which was "the only voluntary demonstration of affection I received in my life."

CIVIL CODE FAVORED

Arcadia, Calif., May 15.—(U.P.)—Civil Code, Charles S. Howard's long-legged sprinter, carrying top weight at 118 pounds, was favored to win today's featured Anita Chiquita race in the first running of the Santa Anita race track since March, 1941.

It was more than 6,000 years ago that the Egyptians discovered mineral dyes and color began to play a part in apparel arts.

BEAVERS TO FACE ANGELS; SEATTLE SCHEDULES SEALS

By United Press
The surprising Portland Beavers, continuing their policy of clouting the ball when hits mean business and ball games, return to the home fold to take on the Los Angeles Angels in a seventh series opening Wednesday night.

Manager Marv Owen's nine has just completed one of the most successful road trips in Pacific Coast League history—winning 11 out of 14 games on foreign territory. The Bevs trounced Hollywood in a 6-1 series, then ended on a high note at San Diego by taking the last five games in a row for a 5-2 triumph.

The slugging Seattle array, back in second place after a 4-1 series triumph at Sacramento, also returns to the home lot to take on the rejuvenated San Francisco Seals, also starting Wednesday.

Hollywood's bleak outlook for the future probably won't be aided any by the invasion of San Diego tonight. The Padres have just dropped two heart-breaking 4-3 series in a row and the ace mound staff of the border-town gang should find the silent star bats more to order.

Sacramento at Oakland offers the followers of the fine art of slugging a probable chance to get their fill. Both clubs are well stocked with gentlemen who can sock the ball, and after a slim week of base hits on both outfits, a rash of slugging is predicted.

MORE TIRES FOR PASSENGER CARS

Washington, May 15.—(U.P.)—The AR Production Board announced today that 500,000 more passenger-car tires have been released for rationing during May. The total number of tires available for civilian replacements in May thus was increased to 1,500,000.

This figure is 500,000 more than in April, but 100,000 fewer than in March.

W. James Sears, deputy director of WPB's Rubber Board, said that three weeks ago passenger-car tire production was scheduled at 5,200,000 tires for the second quarter, an increase in production of 2,000,000.

As this schedule is met, he said, tires will be released in increasing numbers.

Ensign Young Had Narrow Escape When Japanese Bomb Hit Carrier

Ensign Wallace Young, torpedo bomber pilot, recently home on leave, declares the Japanese airmen are not so hot as combat fliers but their single-mindedness of purpose sometimes enables them to land a lucky punch. The Medford pilot described such a lucky punch which landed on his carrier, one of the units in Admiral Mitscher's task force.

The Japanese bomber, a plane somewhat resembling an American model, managed to approach the carrier while the carrier's planes were taking off. The Jap's bombs were dropped from extreme low level, among the planes warming up on the carrier's deck and the ensuing explosion set off bombs loaded on the carrier's machines.

The interloper was immediately shot down by gunners on the carrier but the mischief had been done and fire and explosions resulted. Ensign Young, who had just reached the deck preparatory to manning his plane, when the raider reached the scene, was ordered to "hit the sea." He started to slide down a rope dangling over the side but found that it was only ten feet long and he was forced to plunge the remaining distance in full flying regalia which carried him far beneath the surface.

Regaining the surface he tried to inflate his "Mae West" life belt but this proved faulty and he struggled frantically to stay above the surface. Just as he was about to give up a piece of wrecked life raft bobbed near and the officer grasped it. He clung desperately to the bit of wreckage, fighting the numbing effects of the icy water and after nearly two hours again thought he would have to give up as his cold hands could no longer retain a grip. But again luck was with him, this time in the shape of an American destroyer which came knifing through the seas close enough so that crewmen saw the distressed flier and soon hauled him aboard.

In another thrilling experience, Ensign Young flying with 250 planes on a strike against Kyushu, saw the planes on either side of him hit by flak

and felt his own plane struck several times. One of his buddies was forced to take to his chute and in order to give the Japs a poor target for strafing, delayed pulling his rip-cord until he had fallen 12,000 feet. The Japs followed him down, nevertheless, and made several passes at the parachute and helpless man dangling beneath.

The American fell in the water and was later rescued by a small plane from one of the task force battleships.

Ensign Young, son of Ray Young, and Mrs. Lena Young, of Medford, completed high school here in 1941. His brother, Jack, an army flier, was recently shot down in Germany and is now in a hospital in France.

Prospect

Prospect, May 15.—One of the most outstanding social events of this season was the Junior-Senior banquet and prom, May 4. At the tables, beautifully decorated with the senior class flowers, carnations, and class colors, green and white, the junior class were hosts to the senior class, the board of education, and wives, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. B. Broomfield, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Carlton, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Ulrich, and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd K. Kelley, the faculty, Supt. Maurice E. Scheel, and Mrs. Scheel, Mrs. Elizabeth Flannery, Miss Rachel Jones, and Albert F. Neuman; also Miss Edna Marie Hale, of Jacksonville, who has been elected to teach in Prospect high next term, and Cpl. Thayer Shearin, a former student, home on a furlough.

Bill Fowler, master of ceremonies, was introduced by the junior class president, Jack Canfield. Readings were given by Miss Norma Dean Chandler and Mrs. Maurice E. Scheel. Dee Neville, student body president, introduced the senior class members and each gave a brief talk. At 9 o'clock the King and Queen of the prom, Dee Jay Neville and Miss Virginia Ridgway entered, and the coronation took place, followed by the grand march.

Mrs. Paul Dalton entertained

the 20-30 club at her home, May 10. A pink and blue shower was given for one of the members, Mrs. R. Ceford Garoutte. Later, refreshments were served to Mrs. Garoutte, Mrs. Archie McKillop, Mrs. Lewis Jantzer, Mrs. Paul Snook, Mrs. Ralph Lacy, Mrs. Chas. B. Broomfield, Mrs. Eldon Bean, Mrs. Ben Haynes, Mrs. Donald Koenig, Mrs. Ralph Mallory, Mrs. Victor Chapman, and Mrs. Dalton.

A group of friends gave a surprise party for Fannie Snook at her home, May 8, and presented her with gifts for her new home recently purchased near Medford. Potluck lunch was enjoyed, followed by a social afternoon.

Attending were Mrs. Fannie Snook, Mrs. Christine Dobbey, Mrs. L. Conger, Mrs. Georgia Jantzer, Mrs. Hazel Mather, and Mrs. Florence Shafer.

Honoring Mrs. Mary E. Grieve on her birthday, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Grieve gave an evening pinocle party, May 10. High scores were won by Everett Fraedrick and Mrs. Wallace Dinkens, and Mrs. Fraedrick won the traveling prize. Guests included one guest of honor, Mrs. Mary E. Grieve, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Fraedrick, Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Boothby, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Ulrich, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Kelley, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Kelley, Dewey Hill, Mrs. Elizabeth Flannery, Mrs. Elmer Clemens, Miss Rachel Jones, and Mr. and Mrs. Grieve.

Elmer Clemens has been confined to his home since May 10, when he sustained a badly bruised upper right leg, in an accident with his power chain saw.

Mrs. Harry Goode is spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. W. Fowler, following a minor operation on her right ear, May 11.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hart left May 9 for San Francisco to spend several days visiting friends and attending to business.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Ceford Garoutte and daughter Glenda Gayle, went to Cottage Grove, May 8, to visit the former's mother, who has just returned home from the St. Vincent hospital in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis L. Jantzer spent May 6 with Mrs. Jantzer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Vestal in the Reese Creek district. Mr. Vestal is recovering from a

PRISONER STREAM CAUSES PROBLEM

With U. S. 12th Army Group, May 15.—(U.P.)—Millions of German prisoners who have streamed into the American and British lines since the surrender have created a huge problem for the occupation armies.

It is estimated that more than 6,000,000 Germans have given up to the western allies since the peace was signed. Most of them surrendered to avoid being captured by the Russians.

Approximately 2,000,000 have surrendered to the 12th army group and these, together with a vast number who surrendered during Gen. Omar N. Bradley's advance to the Elbe, have brought about a situation where the Germans have more military forces in the occupied territory than the total number of occupying forces.

FIGHTS LAST NIGHT

By United Press
Philadelphia — Jose Basora, 154, San Juan, P. R., drew with Ray Robinson, 149, New York (10).

Holyoke, Mass.—Jimmy McDaniels, 150, Los Angeles, knocked out Solomon Stewart, 150, New York, (9).

Washington — Arturo Godoy, 198, Santiago, Chile, knocked out Buddy Walker, 190, Columbus, O., (5).

Detroit — Tony Olivera, 122, San Francisco, outpointed Chidrina Valencia, 121½, Mexico City, (10).

SYNOPSIS OF ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THIS

Metropolitan Life Insurance Company

of 1 Madison Avenue, New York 10, in the State of New York, on the first day of December, 1944, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law.

Capital	
Amount of capital stock paid up (a mutual company).....	None
Total premium income for the year.....	\$ 908,237,400.34
Interest, dividends and real estate income received during the year.....	200,688,141.88
Amount returned to policyholders for direct payment of losses.....	201,764,148.96
Total income.....	\$1,307,161,393.18
Disbursements	
Paid for losses, endorsements, annuities and surrenders during the year.....	441,941,097.96
Dividends paid to policyholders during the year.....	100,688,141.88
Amount returned to policyholders for direct payment of losses.....	8,022,008.68
Dividends paid on capital stock during the year.....	None
Commissions and fees paid during the year.....	100,422,478.38
Total disbursements.....	650,073,726.80
Amount of all other expenses (including salaries and wages paid to employees on real estate).....	35,453,071.94
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Total disbursements.....	1,026,303,916.80
Total expenditures.....	\$ 1,376,377,023.64
Assets	
Value of real estate owned (market value) (including \$49,148,872 owned in trust).....	\$ 210,753,066.28
Loans on mortgages and collateral, etc. (including \$175,328,134 trust loans).....	8,022,008.68
Value of bonds owned (market value).....	916,419,448.96
Value of stocks owned (market value).....	143,043,975.88
Value of notes and bills.....	104,598,021.18
Premium notes and policy loans.....	870,587,530.96
Cash in banks in transit.....	143,043,975.88
Cash on hand.....	143,043,975.88
Interest and rent accrued.....	88,431,928.38
Accrued salaries and deferred premiums.....	101,791,042.07
Other assets (net).....	3,411,690.18
Total admitted assets.....	\$6,905,450,571.43
Liabilities	
Net reserves.....	\$5,908,342,696.00
Gross claims for losses unpaid.....	40,611,588.96
Unpaid "accrued" dividends.....	4,956,375,887.88
Dividends payable in 1945.....	806,328,907.60
Dividends payable in 1946.....	111,612,687.00
Total liabilities, except capital.....	\$6,187,267,780.44
Capital paid up.....	None
Surplus over liabilities.....	427,657,791.00
Surplus as regards policyholders.....	427,657,791.00
Total.....	\$6,905,450,571.43
Business in Oregon for the Year	
Net premiums and annuities received during the year (including \$68,230.12 in A. & H. division).....	2,537,037.30
Dividends paid during the year (including \$1,599.50 in A. & H. division).....	889,816.96
Net losses and claims, re-endorsements, surrenders and amounts paid during the year (including \$35,453.08 in A. & H. division).....	1,697,765.95

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Sweet land of liberty,
Of thee I sing;
Land where my fathers died,
Land of the pilgrims' pride,
From every mountain-side
Let Freedom ring.

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May 14 to June 30

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