Haddix Pitches 12 Innings of Perfect Ball For Pirates; Loses in 13th Frame

By FRED DOWN
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Little Harvey Haddix occupies a special niche in baseball history today as the man who pitched the greatest major league game ever– and lost.

They're not even sure whether the final score was 1-0 or 2-0 but it's certain the 33-year-old lefty from Medway, Ohio, will be remembered as baseball's all-time "hard luck" pitcher.

And his Pittsburgh Pirate teammates can never forget the night they couldn't score a run for the man who pitched a 12 - inning "perfect game."

Won't Appear Officially

Haddix' supreme effort won't appear officially among the perfect games, of course, because the Milwaukee Braves won out in the 13th inning but it will be included with a special notation. Along the route that eventually led to defeat, Haddix achieved the following:

–The first nine-inning "perfect game" in modern NL history.

–The first extra - inning "perfect game" in baseball history.

–The longest string of perfect innings ever put together in a major league game.

The amazing spell ended at the start of the 13th inning when Felix Mantilla reached first base on a throwing error by third baseman Don Hoak. Eddie Mathews' sacrifice forced Haddix to issue an intentional walk to Hank Aaron in order to face lead-footed Joe Adcock with a potential inning-ending double play situation set up.

Then came Adcock's fence-clearing drive–the only hit off Haddix–the resulting confusion when Adcock passed Aaron in the base-line – the question of whether the final score was 2-0 or 1-0–and finally Haddix' post-game comment: "It's only another loss; it just hurts a bit more."

Another Hard-Luck Effort

In all baseball history there is only one "hard luck" pitcher who might be compared to Haddix–Harry McIntyre of Brooklyn, who pitched a no-hitter against Pittsburgh, on Aug. 1, 1906, and eventually lost, 1-0, in 13 innings after giving up four hits. All "official" modern perfect games –by Cy Young, Addie Joss, Ernie Shores, Charlie Robertson and Don Larsen – were nine-inning affairs and also were all achieved by American leaguers.

The victory, achieved on Lew Burdettes' 12-hit pitching, enabled the Braves to remain three games ahead of the San Francisco Giants, who beat the Los Angeles Dodgers 6-4, on Leon Wagner's ninth-inning homer. The Cincinnati Reds defeated the Philadelphia Phillies, 2-1, in the only other NL game.

The Cleveland Indians increased their first-place lead to two games with a 3-0 victory over the Chicago White Sox, the Boston Red Sox routed the New York Yankees, 12-2, the Detroit Tigers beat the Kansas City Athletics 9-5, and the Baltimore Orioles shaded the Washington Senators 6-5, in American league action.

LINESCORES:

National League
Philadelphia 000 000 100—1 7 1
Cincinnati 000 200 00x—2 7 0
Gomez, Phillips (7) and Sawatski. Newcombe (4-4) and Bailey. Loser—Gomez (1-3).

(13 innings)
Pittsburgh .000 000 000 000 0—0 12 1
Milwaukee .000 000 000 000 2—2 1 0
Haddix (3-3) and Burgess. Burdette (8-2) and Crandall.

Los Angeles 010 003 000—4 7 1
San Francisco 100 001 004—6 6 0
Koufax, Fowler (9) and Pignatano. Miller, G. Jones (8) and Schmidt. Winner—G. Jones (2-2). Loser—Koufax (0-1). HR—Rodgers, Wagner.

American League
Boston .021 000 540—12 12 0
New York .200 000 000— 2 7 1
Brewer (3-3) and Daley. Turley, Coates (7), Shantz (8), Ditmar (8) and Berra, Blanchard (9). Loser—Turley (3-6).

Cleveland .000 020 100—3 7 0
Chicago .000 000 000—0 4 1
Ferrarese, Perry (7) and Fitzgerald. Donavan, Staley (8) and Lollar. Winner—Ferrarese (4-2). Loser—Donavan (2-3).

Detroit .303 020 010—9 12 0
Kansas City .000 203 000—5 8 2
Foytack, Morgan (7) and Berberet, Garver, Dickson (3), Tomanek (7) and Houuse. Winner—Foytack (2-71). Loser—Garver (3-3). HR—Maxwell, Morgan, Williams.

Washington .000 102 002—5 11 0
Baltimore .000 014 01x—6 13 0
Kemmerer, Clevenger (7) and Naragon. Brown, E. Johnson (7), O'Dell (9), Loes (9), and Triandos. Winner—Brown (2-1). Loser—Kemmerer (4-4). HR—Tasby, Throneberry, Woodling.

Ed Walsh, 'Iron Man' Hurler, Dies

Pompano Beach, Fla.–(UPI)– Big Ed Walsh, the "Iron Man" pitcher of baseball in a bygone generation, will be buried here Friday.

Walsh, 78, died shortly after noon Tuesday of cancer after lapsing into a coma that lasted several hours. The physique that helped earn him the nickname "Iron Man" was wasted to little more than 100 pounds.

Walsh was one of the earliest and greatest exponents of the spit ball. But even more amazing was his endurance. In 1908, he pitched 464 innings, still a major league record.

He won 40 games for the Chicago White Sox that same year, appearing in 66 games.

Walsh, a member of baseball's Hall of Fame since 1946 had a major league pitching record of 192 wins, 125 defeats. His major league career lasted from 1904 to 1916 and was one of the most spectacular in the history of the sport.

Duck Trackmen Enter Relays In California

Eugene –(UPI)– Three Oregon track stars, sprinters Roscoe Cook and Otis Davis, and Frosh miler Dyrol Burleson, leave Thursday for the California Relays at Modesto to be held Memorial Day evening.

Cook will run against three men who have done the 100-yard dash in 9.3. They are Bobby Morrow, Bill Woodhouse and Ray Norton. Davis will put the country's best 440 mark this season, 46.4, on the line against a strong field.

Burleson will face opposition from Barry Almond, Houston freshman from Australia, who has a 4:07.1 mile this year. Don Bowden, the former California runner who is the only American to crack four minutes, also may run in the mile.

Title Fight Appears in Jeopardy

By JACK CUDY

New York – (UPI) – The Floyd Patterson-Ingemar Johansson heavyweight title fight at Yankee Stadium, June 25, seemed in jeopardy today because of the following developments:

–Promoter Bill Rosenshon issued a "declaration of independence" against Patterson and manager Cus D'Amato and threatened to sue them for "big money" if they tried to shift the fight to some other city.

–Rosenshon disclosed that the record-breaking guarantee of $600,000 against the gross gate had been withdrawn by the multi-millionaire Zeckendorfs – Bill Sr., and Bill Jr. – because to unfavorable publicity about awarding the theater-TV rights.

Personal Gamble

–Rosenshon admitted, "I don't know what D'Amato will try to do now because of his dissatisfaction with the New York State Athletic commission's ruling last week against Harry Davidow, the man he had picked to manage challenger Johansson.

Despite the unhappy situation young Rosenshon said he would take the personal gamble and try to promote the international 15-rounder with his own money, "of which I've already ventured $100,000 for outdoor advertising, deposit on the stadium rental, etc."

Although the promoter shares only in the gate – and not in TV, radio or movies – he said, "the gamble should not be too great because our advance ticket sale already approximates $300,000 and I can break even on a $500,000 gate."

NY Ring Group Delays Verdict

New York – (UPI) – The New State Athletic commission today reserved decision on whether to vacate Sugar Ray Robinson's middleweight title.

In announcing the ruling, Chairman Melvin Krulewitch gave no indication as to when a decision would be handed down.

The chairman's announcement was made after today's brief concluding session of a hearing that was drawn out for more than a week.

The commission was prepared to vacate his title should Ray fail to prove he had complied with commission and court orders to arrange by May 15 a title defense against ex-champion Carmen Basilio.

Thus far in his drawn-out hearing, the champion apparently failed to provide sufficient proof.

Gill Speaker For 30-Staters

Amory T. (Slats) Gill, head basketball coach at Oregon State college, will be speaker at a meeting of the Medford 30 Staters club this evening at Rogue Valley Country club.

The dinner session will be at 7 p.m.

The booster organization is made up of Oregon State men graduates.

Accompanying Gill to Medford is Bob Knoll, OSC alumni director. The two had a golf game scheduled at Rogue Valley this afternoon with Dr. Bruce Stanley and Tom MacLeod.

WRITER DIES

New oYrk – (UPI) – Writer Elisabeth Cobb Rogers, 56, daughter of humorist Irvin S. Cobb, died here Monday. Mrs. Rogers, who wrote under the name of Elisabeth Cobb, penned several novels and a biography of her late father.

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

SPORTS

Pittsburgh Hurler Says Tilt Just Another Loss, But Hurts A Little More

RAY W. DOHERTY

Milwaukee –(UPI)– For a few moments, little Harvey Haddix stared into his locker in the Pittsburgh Pirate clubhouse. He sipped a beer. Reporters pressed in for the questions of the man who had achieved likely immortality in the Hall of Fame at Cooperstown.

"Wait a minute," he asked one of them. A few more moments of silence, and then he turned, smiled, and said he was ready for the questions on 12 innings of perfect baseball and a 2-0, one-hit defeat by Milwaukee.

"It's just another loss, but it hurts a little more.

"No, I wasn't sure I had a perfect game. When you go that long, it's hard to remember any baserunners.

'Knew I Had Something'

"From the third inning, I knew I had something. My control and stuff were good.

"Sliders were my best pitches.

"I guess I made a mistake on Adcock in that last inning. I was tired. I wanted a low pitch, and came in high with a slider. He really walloped it."

The questions kept coming, and Haddix patiently answered each.

The Braves were happy, but not boistrous about the victory. They knew they were fortunate, particularly Braves righthander Lew Burdette who hung around the full 13, giving up 12 hits.

Manager Fred Haney, like everybody who saw it, heard it and will read about it today, called it "the greatest game I've ever seen pitched."

Pirate Manager Danny Murtaugh, sat sans clothes for 10 minutes in front of his locker, then got up and trooped to the shower without a word. When the sting finally wore off, he muttered: "It was a dam silly one to lose."

Haddix' only sign of bitterness, and it was slight, came when he talked of a pitch to Felix Mantilla in the 13th. The umpire called it a ball, and on the next pitch, Mantilla slapped a grounder to third-baseman Don Hoak, who threw the ball into the dirt at first–making Mantilla the Braves' first baserunner.

"The pitch could have been a strike, I thought, and Mantilla would have been out of there," said Haddix.

Then, he said jokingly, "maybe I should have walked Adcock, too," referring to the free pass he issued to Hank Aaron, who preceded Adcock's doubtful double that won the game.

When the questions were over. And, Haddix had taken the defeat well.

Old Memories To Be Revived By Alumni Tiff

Corvallis –(UPI)– They're getting ready to revive old memories on Memorial Day here.

An Oregon State alumni team, featuring such aces as Joe Francis and Ken Carpenter, will battle the 1959 version of Tommy Prothro's football squad Saturday afternoon in the final game of spring practice.

Eight members of OSC's 1957 Rose Bowl team will be on hand. They include Francis, Gerry Laird, Earnel Durden, Tom Berry, John Witte, Dave Jesmer, Jim Brackins and Bob DeGrant.

Whiters Meet GP Aggregation

Camp White – Camp White baseball team of the Rogue Valley league will meet Grants Pass at Memorial stadium here this evening.

Game time is 7:30 p.m. It will be a practice affair.

The Whiters were to have played Medford Bowling lanes tonight but the Keglers said they would be unable to field a club for the evening.

Tokyo, Innsbruck Chosen As 1964 Olympic Sites

By PETER UEBERSAX

Munich, Germany – (UPI) – International Olympic committee (IOC) President Avery Brundage said today he was certain Tokyo and Innsbruck, Austria, will do a "great job" staging the 1964 Olympics.

The two cities were selected as the sites of the summer and winter games by the IOC Tuesday.

"We are very happy at the selection," Brundage told a press conference.

"I am sure that Tokyo and Innsbruck will do a great job.

"Both cities have been petitioning the IOC for a long time. Tokyo was already awarded the 1940 games back in 1936, but could not stage them because of unfortunate circumstances.

"Its facilities, as we all know, have greatly improved since."

Brundage also announced the official results of the secret ballot as they will go into IOC records.

For the winter games sites, Innsbruck won with 49 of 58 votes, the other nine going to Calgary, Alta. Lahti, Finland, did not receive a vote.

For the summer games, Tokyo got 34 votes, Detroit 10, Vienna nine and Brussels five, Brundage said.

Miami, Fla. – (UPI) – Jockey Willie Hartack, under suspension at Garden State for "rough talking" to a steward, said he would enter a hospital today for a three-day medical check-up. Hartack fears he may have developed ulcers.

UNBEATEN CUBANS BOX

New York – (UPI) – The June 19 Madison Square Garden fight card features three unbeaten Cuban boxers in 10-rounders. Welterweight Florentine Fernandez meets Stefan Redl of Passaic, N. J.; lightweight Carlos Hernandez engages Luke Easter of Rankin, Pa., and lightweight Douglas Vaillant faces Jimmy Grow of Boise, Idaho.

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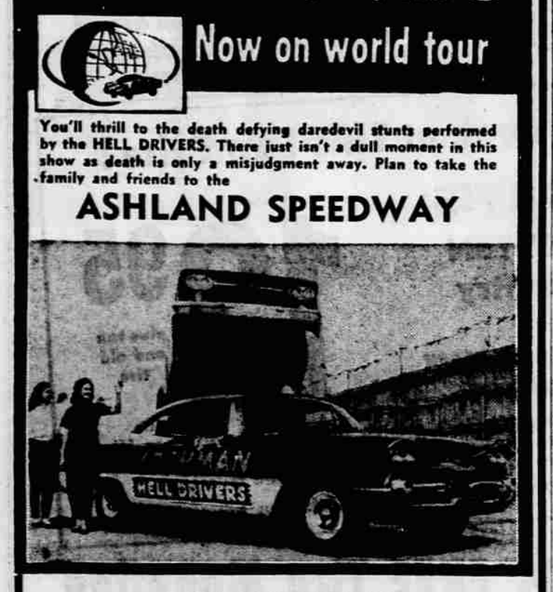

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