



ATHLETICS AND YANKEES SPLIT DOUBLE HEADER

41,000 Cash Customers See American League Leaders Meet

(By the Associated Press.)
The first two battles of the American league's initial "crucial series" of the season finds the New York Yankees and the Philadelphia Athletics no better and no worse than they were before the opening shot was fired.
Before 41,000 cash customers and thousands of others who occupied points of vantage outside Shibe Park, the two leaders yesterday split even in the first two games of a six game series.
The champions pounded Robert Moses Grove, Connie Mack's star shortstop, hard and often to take the opener, 9 to 7, but Ossie Orwell held the Yankees to six hits in the night cap and the Athletics raced in to a 5 to 2 victory. Babe Ruth hit his fourteenth homer of the season.
Bob Fothergill's double with two men on base in the twelfth enabled the Detroit Tigers to score a 6 to 4 win over the White Sox at Chicago. Johnny Mostil, great six fly chaser, was knocked unconscious when a thrown ball struck him between the eyes. He expects to return to the lineup tomorrow.
The St. Louis Browns took a sloppy game from the Indians at Cleveland 12 to 9.
The St. Louis Cardinals pushed their way to within half a game of the national league lead by swatting the Cincinnati Reds, 7 to 1, for their fourth straight victory.
Jess Betty, recently suspended for breaking training rules, returned to the Brooklyn mound and shut out the New York Giants with three hits, 3 to 0.
The Pirates gave the Chicago Cubs their fourth straight setback at Pittsburgh, 6 to 2.

CONGRESSIONAL BASEBALL GAME IS SCHEDULED

WASHINGTON, May 25. (AP)—One question is to be settled definitely during the present session of congress: Whether the democrats or the republicans in the house are the worst ball players.
The contest, known as the "billional congressional world series baseball game," will be played tomorrow. President Coolidge will throw out the first ball. The marine band will give a concert before the game and every error and other plays during the contest will be broadcast.
Representative Clyde Kelly of Pennsylvania is captain of the republican team and Representative Thomas McMillan of South Carolina leads the democrats.

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Pyle Runners Peg on Toward Last Control

SUFFERN, N. Y., May 25. (A. P.)—A threatened "revolt" at an end, C. C. Pyle's cross-country pavement pounders set out today for Passaic, N. J., next to last control of their transcontinental chase for \$48,500 in prize money. The runners expected to reach Passaic at about 1:30 p. m., eastern daylight time.

Published reports that many of the 55 derbys were so dissatisfied with conditions that they were ready to "strike" brought denials from some of those accused of being ring leaders in the movement.
Passaic has declared a half-holiday for everybody but police and firemen so that due honor can be paid John Salo of that city, who is second to Andrew Payne of Claremont, Okla., in total elapsed time. The derbys will remain in Passaic until 5 o'clock tomorrow night, when the troupe will start for New York, arriving at the garden at about 8:30 p. m.

BILLY EVANS Says

Would Have Been Great—But. Reference in this column several days ago to the eccentric conversational ways of some of the prominent sports figures recalls another actual happening staged by the astute Jacques Curley.

Georges Carpentier made his last American tour under the auspices of Curley and the astute Jack invited the press to his office to meet and interview the Frenchman. Jack speaks French fluently and it happened, unfortunately, that one of the scribes was a fluent French linguist.

Georges came late to the reception and obviously was bored. In French he told his host to have it over with quickly as he had a date with a doll at the Ritz and already was late.
"Gentlemen," Jacques said. "Georges is in a hurry, and as he does not speak English very well I can expedite the interview by acting as an interpreter. I will put any question you ask and give you his answer."

Give 'em the Air. "Get him to give us a statement," someone said. Curley parlayed with Georges. "Tell them anything you want. I don't want to talk to them. Get them out. Bums, they are! Bums!"
Turning from him with perfect poise, Jacques said:
"Georges asks me to tell you how glad he is to be back again in his beloved United States among the people he has learned to love so well. It is not true, that he wants it understood, that he fights in this country just because he can get the large money. He fights here always because he feels he has a great debt to the American people. In fact he loves this country so much that he is thinking seriously of moving to New York and becoming a citizen of the United States."

"Ask him if he is going to win a fight this time!" Curley was told, and again Curley and Carp engaged in heavy conversation.

How About a Short Count. "Only two minutes more will I give you to get them out. I have important business. The girls do not wait at the Ritz," Carpentier said.
"Georges says that he feels confident he will win both fights in the United States and that as a soldier of France he is resolved to give everything he has to vindicate himself and his country," Curley said, and went on to finish with excerpts from French history and the Gettysburg address.
The reporters went to their offices and wrote the interviews and the editor who read the one story of what really was said thought the writer was taking great liberties with accuracy in order to be funny.

Too Hot to Handle. Jack Sharkey, who does not always speak Lithuanian in his conversation, has complained that the boxing writers took too many liberties in quoting him as a braggart. It will be admitted by the majority of the writers that they did not always quote him with strict accuracy, but if they did use his exact language they would have been fined and he would have been pitched.

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PUZZLING PLAYS Baseball By BILLY EVANS

By Billy Evans
Completing Legal Catch.
What is regarded as necessary to complete a legal catch of a thrown ball on a play at first base or a force play?

Major league umpires regard the hands as the means of completing a play on a thrown ball. That is, the ball must be securely held in the hand or hands of the fielder making the play.

If on a play at first base, or a force play at any other base, the ball arrives ahead of the runner, he is out, provided the ball is securely held by the fielder prior to the time the runner reaches the base.

If a ball is thrown to the first baseman and it reaches him several feet in advance of the runner, the runner is out if the ball is securely held in advance of him.

However, if the ball which reached the fielder in advance of

the runner is juggled, and in the interim before the ball is securely held the runner reaches the base, he is safe.

I have received many inquiries in which the player juggles the ball, then has it roll up his arm, and prior to the runner reaching the base, the fielder has the ball firmly under his arm or held against his body by his elbow.

The question is, does such a holding of the ball complete the play and should the runner be called out?
As I stated above, major league umpires work on the theory that baseball is played with the hands relative to the actual catching of the ball. For that reason they would not regard such a happening as the completion of a play at first or a force play at any other base.

To complete a catch, the ball must be securely held in the hand or hands of the fielder making the play, is the way the umpires view it.

Trojans Have Easy Time on Trip to Japan

SAN FRANCISCO, May 25.—Talk about your college athletes having a tough time, what about your Southern California baseball team now on the Pacific bound for Japan?

Those young men are having a journey might cost some paunchy millionaire several grands and "it won't cost them a dime except what they spend for pleasure."

The Trojans are to play approximately 45 baseball games on this trip, against leading college teams of Japan, and will be in the Far East until late in August. And what a lotta things there are to see in that country!

Among the numerous functions planned for the entertainment of the college boys is a special audience with Emperor Hirohito and the imperial family.

Sam Crawford, former Detroit outfielder, is coach of the Trojans' squad and is being assisted on the trip by Morley Drury, All-America quarterback last fall, as student manager.

Ruth Refuses \$150,000 to Save Batting Eyes



BABE RUTH SUFFERED WITH KLEIG EYES IN HIS LAST MOTION PICTURE AND WAS BLIND FOR TWO DAYS.
PLAYING THE SUN FIELD AFFECTS THE EYES AND NOTING OF MANY OUTFIELDERS

In this "money mad" world it must be a great sensation to be able to turn down \$150,000 without batting an eye. And that is just what our old friend, Babe Ruth, did this past winter.
Ruth received \$125,000 cash two years ago for his picture, "The Babe Comes Home," and it was so successful that the movie people wanted him to make another one last winter.

"I'm afraid to take another chance with the old batting eyes," Babe told me this spring. "The Kleig lights got me and I was blind for two days with 'Kleig eyes.' I got over 'em all right and hit 50 home runs last year, but if I made another picture the 'Kleigs' might cut me down to nothing but bunts and singles. And I like to act in pictures, too. I've seen my picture about 15 times and always go again if it is appearing in the town we're playing ball in."
Many outfielders who ever get in the movies suffer from "sun field eyes" from trying to pick fly balls out of the sun. Many an outfielder would hit 30 points better if he were not gazing into the sun with smoked glasses day after day.

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Error Gives Portland Win Over Seattle

(By the Associated Press.)
With a double play in sight, Johnny Mitchell dropped the ball and two Beaver runners countered over the plate with the runs necessary to give Portland her third straight victory over Seattle, 3-1. Yerkes held the Indians to six hits. Batteries: Yerkes and Almsmith; Bryan and Borreani.

The Missions concentrated their batting attack in two innings, the third and seventh, scoring four runs in each of these frames and trouncing the Seals again, 10-6. Hughes relieved Martin with two out in the first, and held the Seals safe the rest of the way. Batteries: Martin, Hughes and Baldwin; Moody, Thurston and Vargas, Sprins.

Throw Stops Rally. Clarence Hoffman's perfect throw from center field in the ninth nipped Red Brubaker at the plate with the tying run and enabled Sacramento to take her first victory of the series from the Oaks, 6-5. Batteries: Dumovich, Wetzel and Read; Keating, Kallio and Severeld.

Los Angeles won her third straight from Hollywood, 5-4, turning several of Kinney's eight walks into runs. Cunningham weakened in the final two frames but managed to stay the route. Batteries: Kinney, McCabe and Bassler; Cunningham and Sandberg.

One of the leading bootleggers of Kansas City was shot the other day. And with a busy season just ahead, too!

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MORGAN KEEPS TITLE IN HARD FOUGHT CLASH

Seattle Flash Too Fast and Clever for "Cannon Ball" Martin

NEW YORK, May 25. (AP)—Tod Morgan, Seattle battler, mused today upon how narrowly he escaped joining the company of those known as former junior lightweight champions.

While less than 6000 fans looked on apathetically, Morgan successfully defended his 136-pound crown against the dogged, bull-like rushes of Eddie (Cannon Ball) Martin, one time king of the bantam weights, in a 15-round bout at Madison Square Garden last night.

Tod's margin of victory, however, was of the closest. The Associated Press score card gave Morgan seven rounds, Martin six, with two even.

Staked All on Body. Slow and short of arm, Martin staked his whole battle for the title on a body attack. In he rushed, taking the champion's short jabs in order to get a chance to pound away at Morgan's body.

For the first few rounds the sharp-shooting Pacific coast star had all the better of the milling, catching the challenger coming in, with sharp left jabs and right uppercuts. Undaunted, the former bantam weight champion never stopped plunking in. After the first half of the battle, the pendulum swung to Martin as Morgan tired under the challenger's charging tactics.

Morgan Rallies. More frequently did Martin's wild swings land on the champion's head and Morgan was forced to drop his sharp-shooting and slug away. On even terms as the 15th round opened, Morgan saved his crown by a brilliant rally that had Martin groggy as the final bell ended the milling. There were no knockdowns but both were bleeding profusely at the end.

Morgan weighed 129 3/4 pounds, Martin 130, the class limit.
The 5907 customers, surfeited with the feast of boxing they've been given this week, paid \$17.75 to see the third championship bout staged in New York in four days.

AMERICAN WINS OPEN AMATEUR FRENCH TITLE

PARIS, May 25. (UP)—W. Cox Wright, American tennis player, won the French open amateur court tennis championship today by defeating Duvivier, his opponent, in the final, 6-2, 6-2, 6-1.

JACK SHARKEY TO MEET NEGRO

NEW YORK, May 25. (UP)—Humbert J. Fogarty, Brooklyn promoter, announced today that Jack Sharkey, Boston heavyweight, had agreed to meet the winner of the heavyweight bout between Johnny Risso and George Godfrey at Ebbets Field, Brooklyn, June 29. Fogarty plans to promote the show late in the summer.

TROJANS TO JAPAN. Fourteen members of the Southern California baseball team called from San Francisco on May 9 for a series of games against leading Japanese college teams in Japan.

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