

IN THE REALM OF SPORT

BRAVES SHOVE PHILLIES DOWN ANOTHER NOTCH

Boston Manages to Keep Out of Cellar by Winning Two Games

(By the Associated Press.) Philadelphia's bid for some other national league berth than the cellar has been stayed off by Flornsbry, Sieler and company.

The first two games of a "crucial cellar series" yesterday found the Boston Braves twice victorious over the Quakers.

The Phils put up a gallant battle for both games in yesterday's double header, carrying each to extra innings before yielding. Lester Bell's scratch single with the bases filled in the 14th gave Boston the opener, 1 to 2.

The Braves won the night cap to 4 in 10 innings.

The Chicago Cubs returned to third place and dropped the Cincinnati Reds to fifth when Art Lohf left handed his way to an easy 8 to 2 victory over Kolp and Jablonowski.

Babe Ruth's 31st home run of the year failed to save the New York Yanks from a 4 to 3 reverse from the Washington Senators. Garland Braxton outpitched George Pipetas.

The Philadelphia Athletics reduced the Yank lead to a matter of 13 games by breaking even

RHODES EARNED THIRTEEN LETTERS IN PREP ATHLETES

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, July 3.—Gordon Rhodes has more than his sensational work this season as a pitcher for Hollywood in the Pacific Coast League for a claim to fame in the athletic world.

While in high school here, he gained the reputation of being the state's greatest all-round athlete by making 13 major letters in three years. In addition, he captained teams in football, basketball, baseball and track.

He gave promise of gaining college athletic honors at the University of Utah, but dropped out to take a shot at pro baseball. He has made good, so good that although the Yankees are said to own him the Philadelphia Athletics offered \$45,000 for his contract.

In a double header with the Boston Red Sox, Lefty Grove had no trouble beating the Sox in the first game, 9 to 2. Rube Walberg failed in the second and the A's went down 7 to 4. Six home runs were smashed out in the double bill.

The Chicago White Sox surprised themselves and the St. Louis Browns by taking both games of a double header 7 to 1 and 9 to 8.

The Detroit Tigers took many liberties with George Uhle's pitching and walked off with a 7 to 3 triumph over the Indians.

DEMPSEY WILL FIGHT IF TEX RAISES MONEY

In Meantime, Ex-Champ Is Interested Primarily in Horse Racing

LOS ANGELES, July 3. (UP)—The race track temporarily has usurped the place the squared ring held in the heart of Jack Dempsey but the fighter is considering another comeback attempt.

Completing his "training" for "The Big Fight," theatrical production to open in New York in September, Dempsey this week will purchase a ranch near Fresno, according to a copyrighted story to be published in the Illustrated Daily News today.

The ranch, it was forecast, will be devoted to the raising of thoroughbred racing horses.

Dempsey will sell his hotel, "The Barbara," for cash, business blocks and the ranch, the News will say, and his definitely decided not to box this fall.

Since the former champion won the \$30,000 Tijuana derby with his entry, Dr. Wilson, his interest in horse racing has increased, and Dr. Wilson will be placed on the San Joaquin valley ranch, according to the story.

Johnny Coburn, noted New York trainer, will be in charge of the breeding farm, while Dempsey plans to spend much time there.

The News will also say that Dempsey will train on the ranch for his next fight, in the summer or fall of 1929, providing Tex Rickard, promoter, will guarantee him \$750,000.

"I am always in good condition," Dempsey is quoted as saying. "With this new ranch of mine, where I can live out of doors, I'll be in better health than ever if things shape up so that Rickard will give me my price for boxing next year."

In the meantime, Dempsey's training for his stage part has produced results, and his high pitched voice has become much more suitable for the role of the two fisted hero, he will play.

Bissonette and Kress Make Good Right Off



By AL DEMAREE (Former Pitcher N. Y. Giants)

It is rather refreshing when players like Del Bissonette of the Brooklyn Dodgers and Ralph Kress of the Browns, who come in almost without a fanfare, price tag attached, break in with a bang and are full fledged stars from the opening day. Making good "right off the reel" shows a player possesses that thing called "guts" by managers, because he must overcome a number of things, the jealousy of the veterans. The recruit does not face the open hostility he encountered twenty years ago, but ball players are like men in other professions. They will fight for their jobs. They are lucky they are playing for men who know a ball player when they see one and give them a chance as regulars.

Such was the case in the training camp of Geo. Stallings a few years ago. There appeared a little young infielder, who was sent to shortstop in the "Regular-Yankee" game. He made four errors on five ripping grounders and one of the reporters spoke to Stallings.

"I don't suppose you'll keep Maranville after his showing today?"

George exploded: "That boy went after everything, didn't he? And he got his hands on balls that half the shortstops in the country couldn't touch with a rake. Release him? Why, he'll be star of my team within a year!"

That prophecy came true with a vengeance.

BILL ASTOUNDS EXPERTS WITH FINE PLAYING

Great Victory Over Jean Borotra Arouses Excited Press Comment

WIMBLEDON, July 3. (AP)—If tennis critics thought that Big Bill Tilden's game had slowed up when he was carried to five sets by Pierre Landry on Saturday they've revised their opinion in view of the big Philadelphia's great victory over Jean Borotra yesterday.

While paying full tribute to the Basque's brilliant game experts writing the morning newspapers conceded that Tilden had never played finer tennis here. Samples of their comments follow:

"Tilden dictated the game, compelled his opponent to play it and wore him down at it."

"Tilden was really awesome."

"Tilden played majestic tennis; he was the complete player."

"It was an altogether different Tilden from the shadow that hovered on the court against Landry."

Maybe It's Strategy.

Germany has been installed by the experts as a most serious threat to the United States in the Olympic Games this summer. The American coaches are talking wolf for the benefit of their athletes, but some of them really feel that it is going to be a tough battle in Amsterdam.

Apparently the Germans do not think they are so good, however. They admit, in their home publications, that they have a good team and a team almost strong enough to finish second. They haven't a thought of beating the United States out of first place.

"No Spitting Allowed."

The rather drastic rules drawn by E. S. Bernard, American League president, to speed up the game haven't had a pronounced effect in promoting snappy play. The reason is the very good reason that no rules will work if they are not enforced.

The umpires have not attempted to use the count on a pitcher when he gets set to deliver, and the players still use their own judgment in getting to and from their positions on the field.

After it had been called to their attention several times in the papers the umpires remembered that it was against the law for an outfielder to sit in the bull pen when he didn't have to report to the plate for a little batting.

Playful Old Men.

For a bunch of old men, the Philadelphia Athletics are as kittenish as any club in the major leagues. Jimmy Dykes and Joe Bush aren't professional clowns of the Altrack and Schacht class, but they are experts at horse play. And the ancient Ty Cobb can handle his end of club give-and-take jokes.

The Athletics have more individual color than even the Yankees and they are more interesting to watch in pre-game antics. Leaving the Babe and Gehrig out of it, the Yankees really are a rather drab team. They are all very serious young men. It seems that they have assumed the air of dignity that they think should go with a team rated as one of the greatest of all times.

Has Simmons a Groove?

At Simmons, the star outfielder, is the target of a lot of club jokes which he manages to accept without too many displays of petulance.

It is one of the favorite stunts of the players to kid him when they are tossing the ball back and forth before the start of a game.

Acting as pitchers the players take their turns in shouting for the benefit of the box seat fans: "Two and three now, Simmons up." An then the thrower will toss in a little "inshoot" and the bunch all chorus: "Simmons out."

When Lefty Groves is warming up they also pester him with suggestions to "Show the boys in there how you hold your fast one."

The Athletics must realize that they have only a slight chance to win the pennant this year, but they're not acting like the other clubs before they go out on the field.

Harry Phelan, Purdue coach, took Knute Rockne's place at a coaching school in Tennessee early in June. Rockne's Olympic plans prevented his participating.

Former Champ Badly Beaten By Latin Pug

Joe Wood, Former Major League Star, Has Given a Three-Year Contract by Yale as Baseball Coach. He Has Been There Seven Years Already.

ASTORIA, Ore., July 3. (AP)—Tody Fox, Salem fighter, stopped Jim Lewis of Seattle in the third round of a scheduled eight round match here last night and won by a technical knockout when the Seattle man was unable to continue.

In the other eight-round event of the double bill, Pete Bynes, Salem, won a decision from Terry Kileen of Independence.

Roeper Is Pro Baseballer

Johnny Roeper, captain of the 1927 Penn State football team, is pitching now for Scranton in the New York-Pennsylvania League.

The sensational Latin fighter took all but the first and seventh rounds. Kaplan proved only that he could take terrific punishment without faltering. He continued boring in to the end in the face of a left jab and flashing right hook that counted repeatedly.

The Meriden veteran's short arms, thrown wildly, could not reach the long-armed Latin, who was master of the fight in every round. Quintero weighed 134 3/4; Kaplan, 153.

Likes Him as Coach

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SALEM SLUGGER KNOCKS LEWIS OUT IN THIRD

DANISH BOXER WINS VICTORY

CHICAGO, July 3. (UP)—Knute Larsen, Danish heavyweight, defeated Jackie Dugan of Louisville, in an eight round bout here last night. The foreign boxer, making his first American start, had a decided edge over his rival and the decision was popular.

Shuffle Callahan, Chicago welterweight, won his first "comeback" fight since his knockout by Mickey Walker two years ago. Callahan demonstrated that he had retained his punching ability stopping Billy Shine, Indianapolis, in the third round.

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BLITMAN WANTS TO MEET TONY IN TITLE BOUT

PHILADELPHIA, July 3. (UP)—Max (Boo Boo) Hoff, manager of Harry Blitman, sensational young featherweight who won a decision from Tony Canzoneri, 126-pound champion, here recently, posted a \$5,000 forfeit with the Pennsylvania state athletic commission today for a title match with Canzoneri.

The first bout between Blitman and Canzoneri was a non-title affair, both fighters coming in over the featherweight poundage.

FAVOR MORGAN OVER C. MARTIN

NEW YORK, July 3. (UP)—Tod Morgan of Seattle, Wash., junior lightweight champion, is a 7 to 5 favorite to retain his title when he meets Eddie (Cannonball) Martin, former bantamweight champion, in a 15-round title bout at Ebbets Field, Brooklyn, Wednesday night. Morgan won the decision in their first title match recently.

All Stars Win From Merrill

In a Timber League game Sunday the Klamath Sporting Goods All-Star baseball team defeated Merrill 14 to 9 in a loosely played game at Merrill. The locals hit three opposing pitchers hard during the game while Roush and Boyle, All-Star chuckers kept the Merrill hits well scattered.

Tomorrow the All-Stars will play Malin an exhibition game at the celebration being held in the southern city. This game will be played in the morning and the boys intend to stay and witness the celebration after the game. Stewart is slated for the mound job tomorrow for the local team, with Robinson on the receiving end.

First in Pacific Circuit

Outfielder Sned Jolley was the first Pacific Coast League player to reach the 100-hit mark this season. Major league scouts are watching him.

Joe Sewell says Babe Ruth could hit 100 home runs each season if the pitchers would pitch to him as they pitch to the average batter.

TILDEN, HUNTER MATCH WINNERS

WIMBLEDON, England, July 3. (P)—Big Bill Tilden and Frank Hunter, American and British doubles champions, overcame a poor start today to conquer the English pair, Cyril Eames and George Crole-Rees in the Wimbledon tournament. The scores were 4-6, 6-1, 6-2, 6-2.

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