

Cleveland, St. Louis Fear Donald

Yank Hurler Tops Indians For Third Straight Time; Bucs Regain Second Spot

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If Joe McCarthy ever gets those New York Yankees up for a fourth straight American league pennant, Swampy Donald's black magic over Cleveland and St. Louis will come in for a lion's share of the credit.

The lean right-handed screwball artist from Louisiana's swamp lands is just another pitcher against most of the clubs but he has beaten the Indians 12 of 13 starts since hitting the big show and drubbed the Browns 11 of 14 tries.

With the help of homers by Snuffy Struweiss and Oscar Primes, Donald topped Cleveland for the third straight time by a 6-3 score.

Six war fund games yesterday, including the Cleveland night fray and tilts in Chicago, St. Louis, New York, Brooklyn and Philadelphia, upped the major league war contribution for 1944 to \$445,093.71.

Boston and Detroit were halted by rain in the eighth for a 1-1 tie between Hal Newhouser and Pinky Woods and Chicago staged a two-run sport in the last of the ninth to top Washington, 4-3.

Pittsburgh took over second place in the national's most exciting race by trimming the Giants 6-5.

Brooklyn took over sole occupancy of the cellar by losing to Chicago's Bill Fleming 4-1, as Boston beat Bucky Walters 9-2 in the first game. Cincinnati grabbed the nightcap from the Braves, 8-5, for Harry Gumbert's eighth triumph.

Danny Litwhiler was the hero of St. Louis' 8-6 nod over the Phils by clouting a three-run homer in the eighth and scoring the winning run in the tenth.

Steps Taken to Halt Shibe Park Baseball Gambling

PHILADELPHIA, July 27 (AP) — A full report of the steps being taken to halt gambling at Shibe Park has been filed with Baseball Commissioner Kenesaw M. Landis by Herb Pennock, general manager of the Philadelphia Phillies, said last night.

A similar report is believed to have been asked of Connie Mack, now in St. Louis, after the arrest of five men for making bets in a recent Philadelphia-Boston National league game.

THE STANDINGS

| COAST LEAGUE | | | |
|---------------|----|------|------|
| W. | L. | Pct. | |
| Los Angeles | 50 | 30 | .565 |
| San Francisco | 48 | 32 | .537 |
| Oakland | 36 | 44 | .413 |
| Seattle | 35 | 45 | .405 |
| Hollywood | 35 | 46 | .405 |
| Portland | 34 | 46 | .405 |
| Sacramento | 33 | 47 | .405 |
| San Diego | 31 | 51 | .405 |

Yesterday's Scores
Seattle 4-5, Portland 3-9 (1st game 12 innings, 2nd 8, curfew), Hollywood 9, Oakland 2.
Los Angeles 5, San Francisco 1, Sacramento 3, San Diego 2 (16 innings).

| NATIONAL LEAGUE | | | |
|-----------------|----|------|------|
| W. | L. | Pct. | |
| St. Louis | 63 | 24 | .724 |
| Pittsburgh | 48 | 37 | .565 |
| Cincinnati | 30 | 59 | .338 |
| New York | 42 | 48 | .467 |
| Chicago | 37 | 47 | .440 |
| Philadelphia | 37 | 48 | .438 |
| Boston | 37 | 53 | .411 |
| Brooklyn | 36 | 53 | .404 |

Yesterday's Results
Boston 9-5, Cincinnati 2-9, Chicago 4, Brooklyn 1, Pittsburgh 6, New York 5, St. Louis 8, Philadelphia 6.

| AMERICAN LEAGUE | | | |
|-----------------|----|------|------|
| W. | L. | Pct. | |
| St. Louis | 54 | 41 | .568 |
| New York | 48 | 42 | .533 |
| Boston | 48 | 44 | .522 |
| Cleveland | 48 | 46 | .511 |
| Detroit | 44 | 47 | .485 |
| Chicago | 43 | 45 | .489 |
| Washington | 42 | 50 | .457 |
| Philadelphia | 39 | 53 | .424 |

Yesterday's Results
St. Louis 4, Philadelphia 2, New York 6, Cleveland 2, Boston 1, Detroit 1, Chicago 4, Washington 2.



Sports Briefs
By Hugh Fullerton, Jr.

By FRITZ HOWELL
(Pinch-hitting for Hugh Fullerton, Jr.)

NEW YORK, July 27 (AP) — The armed services are taking pretty good care of the four freedoms. Mr. Fullerton, for whom we're subbing, is enjoying a fifth (vacationing at Freedom, N. H.), and today as the hazy, lazy dog-days approach, we're declaring a sixth freedom — the right to construct a column by clipping quips from our colleagues.

Maybe they'll dub us the thief of "bad-gag" for stealing their stuff, but we're too tired to worry. Here are the guest stars, and their star jests:

TOPS AND BOTTOMS

John E. Wray, St. Louis Post-Dispatch: Our Browns are seventh in team hitting, sixth in team fielding, and below par in other departments of play . . . In fact the only thing they're first in is the American loop.

Lynn C. Doyle, Philadelphia Bulletin: Twenty-five pounds of scrap paper was the admission fee to Brooklyn's ball park the other day . . . A small order for flatbush fans with the foresight to save clippings of the critical analyses of the Dodger losing streak and the Rickey system for rebuilding a ball club.

BASEBALL QUIZ

No. 1—What player won the batting championship in both majors?
No. 2—What player pitched a no-hit game in both majors? (Answers at end, after our guests leave).

FULLY EQUIPPED

George Herrick, San Diego Tribune-Sun: George Zaharias is all set for his opening pro football game with the Los Angeles Mustangs here for September 3, except . . . He has no team, no coach, no name for the club, and no place to play.

Bill Harvey, Paterson, N. J., Morning Call: Ray Starr has pitched professionally for 17 different clubs in his 19 years of baseball. The Pirate moundman boasts he gets at least two hits annually . . . One in the spring before the pitchers get warmed up, and one in the fall after they cool off. He thinks a great hitter is a guy who can hit a bird shot with a buggy whip.

ANSWERS TO QUIZ

No. 1—Ed Deleahanty, .408 in 1899 in National, .376 in 1902 in American.
No. 2—Cy Young, Boston vs. Philadelphia (American), 1904; and Cleveland vs. Cincinnati (National) 1897.

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Ducks Two-Timed by Rainiers

Seattle Snaps Lose Streak With Double Win Over Bevos; Solons Trim Padres

By The Associated Press

The Seattle Rainiers snapped their five-game losing streak last night with a 4 to 3 victory over the Portland Beavers in a 12-inning contest that had been scheduled as the seven-inning opener of a doubleheader.

Then the Rainiers went on to shut out the Beavers, 5 to 0, in the nightcap and gain a fourth place tie in the standings with the Hollywood Stars.

Never more than one run was scored by either team in an inning, in the drawn-out first game and Seattle came from behind to tie the score in the third, seventh and ninth innings before they finally scored the winning run on a pair of singles in the twelfth.

Marino Pieretti cost Portland the game in the ninth inning when he walked in the tying run giving Seattle a new lease on life.

In the second game, cut to eight innings because of the league's midnight curfew regulation, Carl Fischer shackled the Beavers with four hits while his teammates were collecting nine for three runs in the fourth and two more in the seventh.

In another marathon game the Sacramento Solons, who only got out of the cellar last Sunday, drove the San Diego Padres deeper in by taking a 16-inning affair 3 to 2. The score had been tied from the eighth on.

Los Angeles widened its margin over the second-place Seals by defeating the San Francisco team 5 to 1, while Hollywood trimmed third-place Oakland 9 to 2 with Frank Kelleher getting a homer, a double, a single and two bases on balls in his five trips to the plate.

Wingers Advance In Oregon Semi-Pro Tournament

PORTLAND, July 27 (AP)—The Marine Wingers from Corvallis air base defeated Anderson's Market, Vancouver, Wash., 9-5, in the eighth inning of a scheduled seven-inning game last night.

The marines pushed over four runs on two hits and two errors in the extra inning to climb to the second round of the annual Oregon semi-pro baseball tournament.

COACH CHOSEN

PORTLAND, July 27 (AP)—Oliver E. Raikko, former Oregon State college and Monmouth basketball star, has been appointed head athletic coach at Parkrose school here. He coached at Bend in 1941.

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Unlimited Night Baseball Flashes Caution Signal

NEW YORK, July 27 (AP)—Unlimited night baseball, legalized at the Pittsburgh meetings two weeks ago, appeared today to have flashed a caution sign instead of a green light to big league club owners.

Although the St. Louis Browns and Cardinals, desperate for a box office lure, pushed the plan and adopted schedules calling for almost continuous owl ball action at Sportsman's park, only 34 games have been rescheduled from day to night in both leagues.

The New York Giants, Brooklyn, Cincinnati and Pittsburgh, all equipped for after dark activity, have decided to stand pat on their original night schedules, as have the Cleveland Indians in the American.

President Bill Benswanger of the Pirates summed up the general attitude of those contented with a 14-game quota when he said: "I see no reason for a change in our schedule, although I have an open mind on the matter as it concerns other clubs in this topsy-turvy war year."

Golfers to Shoot at Bud Ward Records

SPOKANE, July 27 (AP)—When the National Professional Golfers association players line out for their annual \$20,000 tournament August 14-20 over the Manito course here they will be shooting at course records set by Lt. Bud Ward, duration national amateur champion.

Ward, now with the air forces in New Guinea, likewise is secretary of the Athletic Round Table, sponsors of the tournament.

Ward's records include a 9-under-par 63, and a 6-under-par 30 for the back nine, both non-competitive.

Two years ago in the western amateur, Ward set the course competitive record at 68, four under par. His 141 for 36 holes, set in the qualifying rounds that year, is the record for that distance.

Base Stealer Wins Feature 75-Yard Dash

CHICAGO, July 27 (AP)—George Case, the American league's champion base stealer, is speedy on a straight course, too.

The fleet Washington outfielder won a 75-yard dash at Comiskey park last night in the feature of a series of field events preceding the White Sox-Senators war fund game. He was timed in .073, and beat Chicago's Thurman Tucker by a yard. Johnny Sullivan of Washington was third.

Washington also won first place in other events.

Two Sons of Idaho Mentor Fall in Battle

MOSCOW, Ida., July 27 (AP) University of Idaho Track Coach Mike Ryan said today he had learned that two of his "five-fighting Ryan family" sons — Captains Paul and Bernard Ryan — fell under Japanese guns within a few days of each other during the taking of Saipan.

The war department had reported last week that Capt. Paul Ryan was killed on June 17. Now it has informed the widely-known track coach that Capt. Bernard Ryan was seriously wounded June 22.

The two men had been together in the same regiment through 34 months in the South Pacific.

SHAD SEEN IN ROGUE

GRANTS PASS, July 27 (AP)—A school of shad has been sighted far up Rogue river, at the base of Rainey Falls, Joe Wharton, local sportsman, said today. This is the first time this species of fish has mounted so far up the river, Wharton said.

SEALS SIGN RIPPLE

SAN FRANCISCO, July 27 (AP) The San Francisco Seals of the Pacific Coast Baseball league have signed Jimmy Ripple, 34, former major league star outfielder, as a free agent, officials of the club announced today.

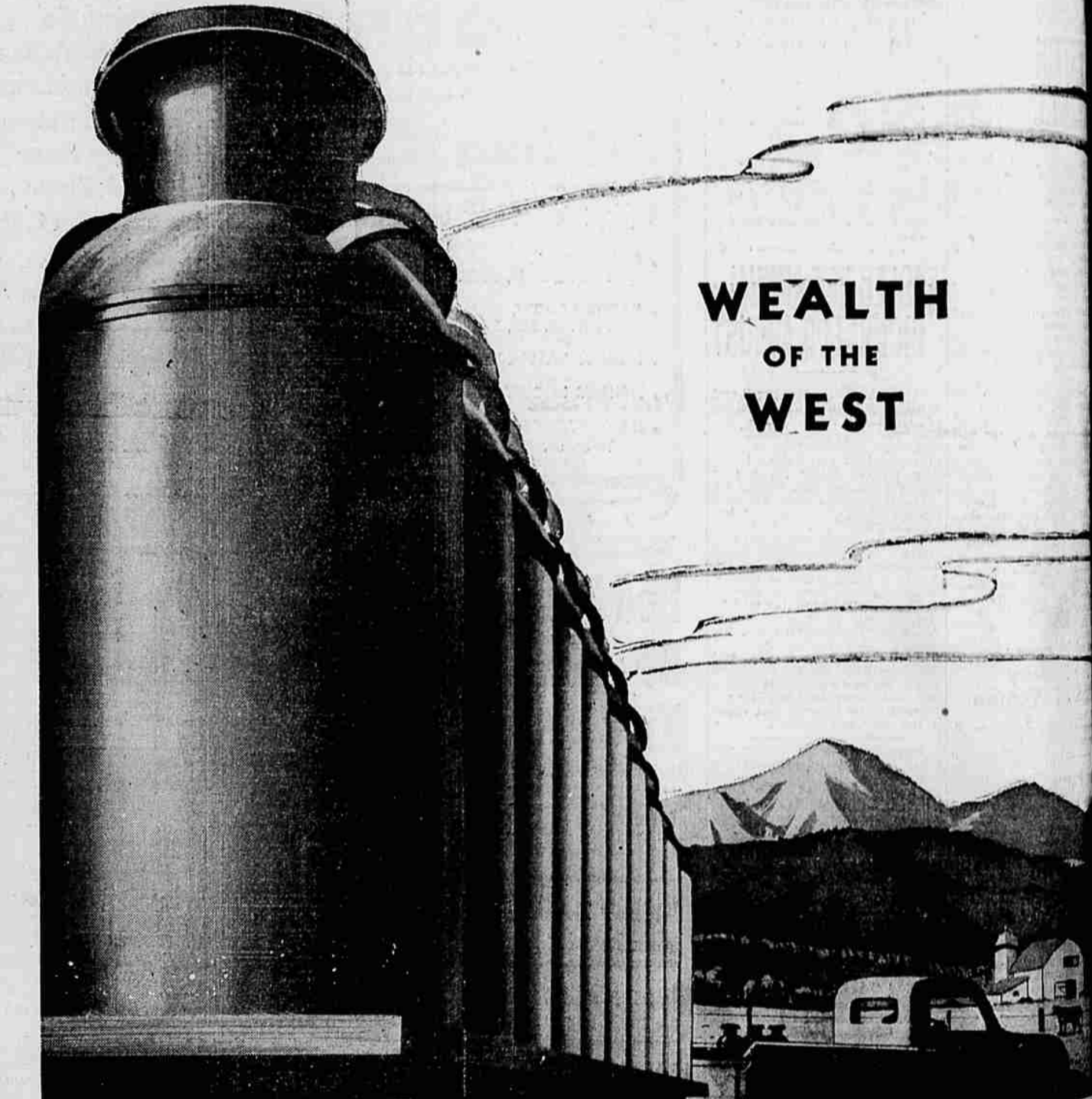
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