

Sisler Hits Hard While Phils Mow Down Brooks

Cardinal-Bluejay Trade Okayed By Both

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The Dick Sisler-Ralph La Pointe trade is shaping up as a good deal for both sides. Sisler's hitting is helping the Philadelphia Phillies and La Pointe is plugging a gap in the St. Louis Cardinals infield.

Both Managers Eddie Dyer of the Cards and Ben Chapman of the Phils should be satisfied. Both teams are tied for first place in the National League, thanks largely to Sisler and La Pointe.

Sisler, hitting at a .333 clip, socked two homers and drove in four runs as the Phils trounced the Brooklyn Dodgers, 10-2, yesterday.

La Pointe, subbing at second for the injured Red Schoendienst, doubled home the Cards' only run in their 1-0 triumph over the Cubs in Chicago.

At Boston, the New York Giants spoiled opening day festivities for the Braves as Ray Poat pitched the Giants to a five-hit 3-1 triumph.

Willard Marshall, with two singles and a double, drove in two runs to provide the Giants with their margin of victory.

The Cincinnati Reds defeated the Pittsburgh Pirates, 5-3, to pull to within a half game of the deadlocked Cards and Phils. Ewell Blackwell pitched the first seven innings and received credit for his second victory of the season.

Meanwhile, the Cleveland Indians took over sole possession of first place in the American League.

The Indians, making their second start of the season, crushed the Tigers, 6-2 before 45,233 opening day fans in Detroit. The Indians are the only undefeated team in either circuit.

KELTNER SLAMS TWO

Ken Keltner batted in four runs and hit two homers to lead the Indians' offensive. Larry Doby and winning Pitcher Bob Lemon also batted homers. Freddy Hutchinson was the loser.

The loss dropped the Tigers into a three-way tie with the Philadelphia Athletics and Washington Senators for second place. The Senators beat the A's, 5-3, in 10 innings in the first American League game of the season in Philadelphia.

In another opening day game, the Boston Red Sox shut out the Yankees, 4-0 before 44,619 fans at New York.

Williams paced the victor's attack with a homer and two singles.

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SPORTS

By Hale Scarborough, Sports Editor

Longden Passes 3000 Wins — Still Aiming

SAN MATEO, Calif., April 24 (AP) — Johnny Longden, the only jockey to ride 3000 winners on American tracks, is "aiming for 4000 now."

Longden wrote his name in turf history aboard Bub in the fourth race at Bay Meadows yesterday, hit 3001 with Sunfair in the sixth and is up on Mafosta, the favorite, in today's \$10,000 added San Mateo Handicap.

The 38-year-old veteran, a native of England but an American citizen now, has been riding professionally for 21 years.

He is not the first rider to win 3000. That honor went some time ago to Gordon Richards of England, who scored his 3508th Thursday.

Overtaking Richards, who has been riding since 1921, is "a big order to fill but I am going to make a good try," said the tiny veteran. "I'm aiming for 4000 now."

The rider will be given a banquet Wednesday night by General Manager William F. Kyne of Bay Meadows. Kyne operated the Lagoon park track in Salt Lake City when Longden rode his first winner on Hugo K. Archer, October 4, 1926.

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Girl Coxswain Edna Saxton goes into the drink, propelled by University of California at Los Angeles crewmen after the crew lost a race. Edna is one of two girls selected as UCLA coxswains because of their light weight, theoretically.

Medford Ends Camp, Starts Trek To North

MEDFORD, April 24 (AP) — Having completed their spring training at the San Bernardino minor league camp of the Brooklyn Dodgers, Manager Larry Shepard and the Medford Dodgers have started the trek northward and are due in Medford today.

The Dodgers worked out at Santa Barbara Wednesday and Thursday and were at Woodland Friday. Shepard has announced a workout at the Fairgrounds park Sunday.

First scheduled Far West league tilt for the Dodgers is with the Redding Browns, a three-game series at Redding, starting April 30.

The Dodgers suffered a loss this week when the only left-handed pitcher on the squad was struck in the jaw by a wild throw, Dick Pera, the pitcher, may not appear in the lineup for three weeks, but is accompanying the team north.

A number of trades have been made by the Dodgers this week as Shepard goes about setting his roster in order.

Third baseman Howard Fisher was sold outright to Olean, N. Y., of the class D Pony league.

Idaho Falls of the Pioneer circuit optionally assigned the contracts of outfielder Bill Hodges and pitcher Paul Peterson to the Dodgers.

Right-handed pitcher Harry Nygard came to the Dodgers on option from Newport News, Va.

Outfielder Vern Campbell was traded to Ponca City, Okla., in exchange for pitcher Richard Lowe.

Infielder Don Blackman has been left in Santa Barbara to recuperate from a shoulder strain.

Director of Athletics Harvey Cassill said the Long Beach, Calif., player will be ineligible for further competition for having signed a contract with the New York Yankees last February. At the same time Cassill sharply criticized the All-American conference club for secret signing of a still-eligible campus player.

Cassill said Oteile disclosed the signing himself after learning that he was involved in a tentative player trade which would send him to the Los Angeles Dodgers. Cassill said the contract was supposed to have been kept secret until after the 1948 college season.

Loss of Oteile is a jolt to Washington's 1948 grid hopes. Howie Odell, the new Husky coach, has been using Oteile regularly as the field general in spring practice. Oteile was instructed today to turn in his suit, Cassill said.

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Seraphs Take Over PCL Lead By Half Game

Beavers Stumble Before Oaks, 7-2; Seals-Sac Divide

By The Associated Press

The Los Angeles Angels supplanted the San Francisco Seals as Pacific Coast league leaders today by a fly-speck margin.

Actually the teams are tied on percentage, at .600 each, but Los Angeles has a half game edge by virtue of having played five more games than the Seals.

Los Angeles moved up front by trimming San Diego, 5-2, last night while San Francisco split a double-header with Sacramento.

Outfielders had to be acrobats in the Angels game because of the high wind. Red Adams held the Padres to seven hits while his mates got eight. San Diego earned one run, an error figuring in production of the other.

The scores were the same, but reversed, in the two Seals-Solons contests. Sacramento won the seven-inning first game, 6-2, on a 13-hit attack as Pitcher Rex Cecil limited the Seals to six hits.

In the regulation length second game San Francisco won, 6-2, and in this case their pitcher, Maury Perez, allowed Sacramento only six hits. The Seals rose up in the fifth inning to score four times. Jack Tobin's triple highlighting in the assault. Sacramento Catcher Nick Pesut homered in the second of the first game.

Oakland moved into third place in the standings by beating Portland, 7-2. Earl Jones, who shut out Seattle last week, extended his string of scoreless innings to 16. It wasn't until the eighth inning that a high pop fly fell safe, permitting a Portland run to score.

The Oaks grouped their runs in the fourth, fifth and sixth innings and benefitted by three errors by Portland Shortstop Len Ratto.

Hollywood and Seattle, tied for the cellar, set out to play a double-header but the first game, supposed to be a seven-inning affair, lasted 12 before Seattle won, 4-3. They started the second game but had to quit in a 1-1 tie after the fourth inning because of the PCL time limit.

RELIEFERS WIN

Starting Pitchers Rugg Ardzioia of Hollywood and Guy Fletcher of Seattle each lasted five innings. Reliever John Gorsica won it for the Rainiers. Skeeter Newsome singled with the bases loaded in the 12th inning for the victory run.

The box:

OAKLAND — Rucker, cf, 2-1 1 0 0; Slaton, 2b, 3-0 1 1 0; Lindigant, 2b, 1-0 0 2 2; Eiten, 1b, 5-0 1 1 0; Story, 3b, 2-0 1 1 0; Poeschke, cf, 4-0 0 1 0; Hamrick, ss, 5-0 2 2 3; Jones, p, 4-0 1 1 0; Duerbaum, rf, 1-0 1 0 0; Klingner, p, 0-0 0 0 0.

Totals 36 7 11 27 12

PORTLAND — Rucker, cf, 3-0 1 1 0; Slaton, 2b, 4-0 1 1 0; Lindigant, 2b, 4-0 2 1 0; Eiten, 1b, 4-0 1 1 0; Story, 3b, 4-0 1 1 0; Poeschke, cf, 4-0 1 1 0; Hamrick, ss, 5-0 2 2 3; Jones, p, 4-0 1 1 0; Duerbaum, rf, 1-0 1 0 0; Klingner, p, 0-0 0 0 0.

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SEATTLE — Rucker, cf, 3-0 1 1 0; Slaton, 2b, 4-0 1 1 0; Lindigant, 2b, 4-0 2 1 0; Eiten, 1b, 4-0 1 1 0; Story, 3b, 4-0 1 1 0; Poeschke, cf, 4-0 1 1 0; Hamrick, ss, 5-0 2 2 3; Jones, p, 4-0 1 1 0; Duerbaum, rf, 1-0 1 0 0; Klingner, p, 0-0 0 0 0.

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SACRAMENTO — Rucker, cf, 3-0 1 1 0; Slaton, 2b, 4-0 1 1 0; Lindigant, 2b, 4-0 2 1 0; Eiten, 1b, 4-0 1 1 0; Story, 3b, 4-0 1 1 0; Poeschke, cf, 4-0 1 1 0; Hamrick, ss, 5-0 2 2 3; Jones, p, 4-0 1 1 0; Duerbaum, rf, 1-0 1 0 0; Klingner, p, 0-0 0 0 0.

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SAN FRANCISCO — Rucker, cf, 3-0 1 1 0; Slaton, 2b, 4-0 1 1 0; Lindigant, 2b, 4-0 2 1 0; Eiten, 1b, 4-0 1 1 0; Story, 3b, 4-0 1 1 0; Poeschke, cf, 4-0 1 1 0; Hamrick, ss, 5-0 2 2 3; Jones, p, 4-0 1 1 0; Duerbaum, rf, 1-0 1 0 0; Klingner, p, 0-0 0 0 0.

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SAN DIEGO — Rucker, cf, 3-0 1 1 0; Slaton, 2b, 4-0 1 1 0; Lindigant, 2b, 4-0 2 1 0; Eiten, 1b, 4-0 1 1 0; Story, 3b, 4-0 1 1 0; Poeschke, cf, 4-0 1 1 0; Hamrick, ss, 5-0 2 2 3; Jones, p, 4-0 1 1 0; Duerbaum, rf, 1-0 1 0 0; Klingner, p, 0-0 0 0 0.

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LOS ANGELES — Rucker, cf, 3-0 1 1 0; Slaton, 2b, 4-0 1 1 0; Lindigant, 2b, 4-0 2 1 0; Eiten, 1b, 4-0 1 1 0; Story, 3b, 4-0 1 1 0; Poeschke, cf, 4-0 1 1 0; Hamrick, ss, 5-0 2 2 3; Jones, p, 4-0 1 1 0; Duerbaum, rf, 1-0 1 0 0; Klingner, p, 0-0 0 0 0.

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ST. LOUIS — Rucker, cf, 3-0 1 1 0; Slaton, 2b, 4-0 1 1 0; Lindigant, 2b, 4-0 2 1 0; Eiten, 1b, 4-0 1 1 0; Story, 3b, 4-0 1 1 0; Poeschke, cf, 4-0 1 1 0; Hamrick, ss, 5-0 2 2 3; Jones, p, 4-0 1 1 0; Duerbaum, rf, 1-0 1 0 0; Klingner, p, 0-0 0 0 0.

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BOSTON — Rucker, cf, 3-0 1 1 0; Slaton, 2b, 4-0 1 1 0; Lindigant, 2b, 4-0 2 1 0; Eiten, 1b, 4-0 1 1 0; Story, 3b, 4-0 1 1 0; Poeschke, cf, 4-0 1 1 0; Hamrick, ss, 5-0 2 2 3; Jones, p, 4-0 1 1 0; Duerbaum, rf, 1-0 1 0 0; Klingner, p, 0-0 0 0 0.

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CHICAGO — Rucker, cf, 3-0 1 1 0; Slaton, 2b, 4-0 1 1 0; Lindigant, 2b, 4-0 2 1 0; Eiten, 1b, 4-0 1 1 0; Story, 3b, 4-0 1 1 0; Poeschke, cf, 4-0 1 1 0; Hamrick, ss, 5-0 2 2 3; Jones, p, 4-0 1 1 0; Duerbaum, rf, 1-0 1 0 0; Klingner, p, 0-0 0 0 0.

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PHILADELPHIA — Rucker, cf, 3-0 1 1 0; Slaton, 2b, 4-0 1 1 0; Lindigant, 2b, 4-0 2 1 0; Eiten, 1b, 4-0 1 1 0; Story, 3b, 4-0 1 1 0; Poeschke, cf, 4-0 1 1 0; Hamrick, ss, 5-0 2 2 3; Jones, p, 4-0 1 1 0; Duerbaum, rf, 1-0 1 0 0; Klingner, p, 0-0 0 0 0.

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CLEVELAND — Rucker, cf, 3-0 1 1 0; Slaton, 2b, 4-0 1 1 0; Lindigant, 2b, 4-0 2 1 0; Eiten, 1b, 4-0 1 1 0; Story, 3b, 4-0 1 1 0; Poeschke, cf, 4-0 1 1 0; Hamrick, ss, 5-0 2 2 3; Jones, p, 4-0 1 1 0; Duerbaum, rf, 1-0 1 0 0; Klingner, p, 0-0 0 0 0.

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DETROIT — Rucker, cf, 3-0 1 1 0; Slaton, 2b, 4-0 1 1 0; Lindigant, 2b, 4-0 2 1 0; Eiten, 1b, 4-0 1 1 0; Story, 3b, 4-0 1 1 0; Poeschke, cf, 4-0 1 1 0; Hamrick, ss, 5-0 2 2 3; Jones, p, 4-0 1 1 0; Duerbaum, rf, 1-0 1 0 0; Klingner, p, 0-0 0 0 0.

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PITTSBURGH — Rucker, cf, 3-0 1 1 0; Slaton, 2b, 4-0 1 1 0; Lindigant, 2b, 4-0 2 1 0; Eiten, 1b, 4-0 1 1 0; Story, 3b, 4-0 1 1 0; Poeschke,